Thousands Killed-- In "America's Answer

By special arrangement the local American Legion has secured the official U. S. Government picture of the World War—"America's Answer" to be shown two days at the Palace Theatre, Monday and Tuesday, March 5th and 6th.) Every mother, dad, sister or sweetheart should make a special effort to see this picture for it tells just what your boy did—"Over There."

"America's Answer" has masks alert, bayonets fixed and heads pointed toward the Hun trenches across No Man's Land—and are actual scenes made by cameramen in the Signal Corps at great risk of life and limb, many of the Signal Corps men were killed in taking some of the scenes that are shown in this picture. The spectator looks through barb wire at the shell torn terrain stretching between the trenches, sees the "Big Bertha" burst, sending geysers of dirt high in the air. They travel with the doughboys in the first line trenches and stand on the fire-steps with a sentry looking out across the dripping parapet toward the "Fritzy." To the lads who took part in the "great adventure," it will bring back the days when you were standing knee deep in slop, in these old front line trenches between four and five A. M. waiting for 'Zero" and the word "Let's go"—When one minute you were hot and the next minute you were freezing; you went through your pockets to find a crumb of hardtack to chew upon to keep your teeth from chattering; then your thoughts wandered to those birds behind the lines, snoozing away and dreaming of "Home Sweet Home." Then the thoughts of the home folks and you wondered if you would ever see them again—Well, anyway, I'm here to fight and swore inwardly that I would get a "dozen" before they get me. Say, Buddy—do you remember wondering what time it was? And those minutes seemed like hours and how you were "rearing to go?"—Zowee!—The bright lights—how we give 'em hell.

The picture was made during the war by the U. S. Signal Corps, to be used at the time of making, officially by the War Department. The picture is in eight reels and constitutes a complete vivid portrayal of the world war and the part played by America.

Starting by showing our president and great General Pershing, the man who taught the great military experts of Europe a lesson in breaking thru the Hindenburg line which they claimed was at that time impossible to take. Then the great problem of getting the men across the ocean that was undermined with German Submarines.

On to show how America won the war, outside of having one million and one half men on the firing line. The building of big steel and concrete warehouses, base hospitals, railroads, refrigerating plants, and locomotives. Then to the preparing of camouflage, that is shown later in use on the front. Gradually upward in the scale of climatic interest to the final burst of three reels of war, shorn of its glamour and revealed naked in its awfulness.

Two thousand feet of this wonderful film was made by the Imperial German Government Photographed. The exploiation of the "Kultur" through Belgium and France is shown with remarkable clearness. There is the air raid on London that killed thousands of helpless women and children and destroyed millions of dollars worth of property wealth. The Hun boasted himself to be the scourge of God and so they proved in the burning and dynamiting of the beautiful University city of Belgium, Louvain. For sheer wanton of destructiveness then is shown the fiends of hell sending racing motor cars many miles ahead of their advancing hordes bearing uhlans of "Kulture" fighting the aged Belgians. Scenes from the greatest battle from the great holocost Verdun is shown with remarkable closeups in this great battle in the year that it lasted over three million men participated and over three hundred thousand were instantly killed. There is the airplane raid by day, the zepplin attack at night and the killing of hundreds of helpless old men, old women, and little children. You'll breathe a sigh of pleasure when you see the huge, merciless serpent of the air shot down by the anti-aircraft gun, manned by our straight shooting doughboys. Showing with remarkable closeups our boys going over the top and bursting shells and tangled wire, hand to hand combating gas attacks. Even showing — the largest guns used by the Allies in real battles, the large guns mounted on railway flat cars, the tremendous trench mortars, and the big gun that was manned by the Americans that shot 22 miles.

Two of the thrilling scenes were made by German Photographers, one was captured and the other killed. One of the scenes shown the royal Prussian Guard, the Kaiser's pick men, shooting into the French and American lines. There were several men besides Germans killed making some of these scenes.

In viewing this picture you are seeing the war as it was actually fought. As a famous historian exclaimed after seeing the picture, "a more complete history of the war and the part played by America, could not be written." Many of the things shown in this picture have until lately, been guarded in the archives of the war department as secret military information.

From advance press notices the local American Legion members advise everyone that possibly can to come to see the afternoon show.

As in every town that this great film has been shown numbers of the people have been turned away from the theatres on account of inadequate seating capacity. The Palace theatre's several hundred seats will undoubtedly be more than filled to capacity.

Books of Yester-Year Are Dying

CHICAGO, March 3.—Do you remember how as a boy you used to thrill to the books of Horation Alger and Oliver Optic and lay awake at night to pore over the pages of Mayne Reid?

The children of today have ceased to read Oliver Optic. Half of them never heard of Mayne Reid. No up-to-date buy shows and interest in Horatio Alger. As for Elsie Dinsmore, the prim young person whoes Sunday school adventures used to keep the girls of twenty years ago all worked up, is dead and buried under the dust of library shelves.

These were the revelations laid before the convention of the Subscription oBok Publishers Association that is making a survey of the field to guide it in it scampaigns.

Miss Adah F. Whitcomb, in charge of the Thomas Hughes room for children's books in the Chicago Public Library, says youngsters today are more taken up with books of history, biography, science, radio, airplanes, and general information.

"oBoks by Mayne Reid, Oliver Optic and Horatio Alger," said Miss Whitcomb, "are almost never called for. The library copies, which were worn out by a former generation of boys, are not being replaced. There was not a single call for Elsie Dinsmore books last year. Girls of today do not know Elsie and I do not believe they would care for her if they did."

GALVESTON, March 3.—"He carried out the ash can."

Charles Bailey, a prisoner, who furnished the incident which resulted in the coining of the term is on his way back to Galveston to finish the sentence he was serving when he "carried out the ash can," it was learned.

Bailey had been indicted, tried and convicted on a charge of burglary and his case appealed. Pending hearing on the appeal, he was made a trusty, one of his daily duties being to carry the ashes from the jail to a trash pile some fifty feet from the door.

One morning Charles carried out the ashes and never came back. Nothing had been heard of him or his activities until word was received that he had been arrested in De Queen, Ark., and would be returned here.

Daughter (to father)—"Harry said he will die if I can't marry him." Father—"Oh thats all right. I would rather pay his funeral expenses than board him the rest of his life."—New Orleans States.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Herds and flocks of some of the best breeders in the United States will be placed on sale here at a stock show to be held the latter part of March or the first part of April.

NOWLIN NOTES

DEVOTED TO AMERICAN LEGION; ITEMS OF INTEREST TO EVERY MEMBER OF THE ILANTHUS NOWLIN POST AND THEIR FRIENDS.

PREAMBLE

For God and country, we associate ourselves together for the purposes: To uphold and defend the Constitution of the United States of America; to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism; to preserve the memories and incidents of our association in the great war; to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses: to make the right the master of might; to promote peace and good will on earth; to safeguard and transmit to prosperity the principles of justice; freedom and democracy; to consecrate and sanctify our comradship by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

By LINDSLEY M. BROWN

"America's Answer.

The picture to be shown March 5th and 6th under the auspices of Nowlin Post, American Legion, will be shown at the Palace Theatre. Mr. Box, manager of the Palace theatre is very anxious to help the boys and a full house is desired and expected.

Some of the most soul stirring scenes of the recent war will be shown. You cannot afford to miss it.

If you buy your tickets through the Legion or any of its selling agencies you will be helping the Legion make money. For every ticket the Legion or any of its representatives sell you direct means twenty-five per cent to the Legion, while every ticket the show sells at the box office of the Palace theatre only means fifteen per cent to the Legion. Help the Legion by buying from the Legion boys direct and do it now.

This is a war picture you cannot afford to miss. You will always be sorry if you fail to see it.

Our School Flags.

Claude Nusbaum recently suggested to the commander of the Legion that we put a one hundred and twenty-five foot flag pole on the campus of every school building in Mexia.

As a result of the suggestion, Post-Commander Brown appointed Comrades Nussbaum, H. G. Pierce and Kirby as a committee of arrangement to arrange for flags and flag poles and to select a proper day for the flag raising and it is being arranged. It is desired that every civic organization and church in Mexia have a hand in this patriotic work and take part in appropriate ceremonies. At Mr. Nussbaum's request Comrade Kirby was appointed Chairman of the committee and he can be found at his Jewelry business in the Anderson Gilliland Drug Co.

Some lodge should give the flags and some organization the poles. The Engineers Department of the City of Mexia will be glad to do the engineering and by all helping out a splendid lesson in patriotism and civic pride can be given. Wont it be a fine advertisment for Mexia to have three flag poles every day flying Old Glory and this in addition to a flag at the City Hall and Nowlin Post Legion Hall?

What better advertisement could Mexia have? How can nobler patriotism and respect for our flag be better instilled in our boys and girls than by daily witnessing the respectful raising and lowering of our flag? Every morning it should be suitably and patriotically raised and every evening lowered. And when the weather is bad storm flags should be raised.

The way to teach Americanism to young Americans is to live Americanism every day.

It has been said the Elks Lodge of Mexia wants to be allowed to furnish the flags. Hurrah for the Elks! Don't forget they followed the flag over seas Come on boys and lets all pull together for a more patriotic Mexia.

Let's make Mexia the livest, most patriotic American town in America.

Unity.

There is no place any time for dissention in any community, if that community wants to succeed.

In every town there is always some petty jealosy. That condition cannot exist in any place that is really the best place to live. Let's never allow dissention or jelosies to encroach on or get a foot hold in our town.

Step on it like you would a snake. Jealosy will wreck any home, ruin any character and stullify the growth and tarnish the purpose of any organization. It must, therefore, never be allowed standing room in our town.

The ex-service men must remember that so far as they are concerned the war is not over. Peace is here but there is a war for existence that requires unity and strength of character to get for the ex-service men, the proper consideration they are entitled to receive. When I see empty sleeves and haggard worn faces, I realize every day unity is needed, and, the unity of the combined efforts of all the ex-service men must be had if a proper success is to be be made in presenting the cause of the ex-service men to the people. A proper company front must always be shown and if any differences ever arise among ex-service men over any question like the bonus or any other question just pause and think. Then do a lot of thinking, and then when you feel like you have thought enough, think some more, and see what is best to be done for the most men. The majority shall always rule. The majority in a democratic country is right. The majority represents and is unity. "United we stand. Divided we fall." "In unity there is strength." If the ex-service men in every community will only stand together and unitedly for every proposition that represents the best interests of their community, the country will be "safe for Democracy" long after you and I are gone and our ashes have decayed.

There's many an empty sleeve

And many a war worn face
Whose emptyness we might relieve
And whose wrinkles we might efface
If only united we'd stand
And fight as one big man.

To Make Mexia Mosquitoless Town

A representative of the State Health Department, E. W. Steel, Sanitary Engineer, Mosquito Control, has been conferring with Dr. R. E. Hodges, City Sanitarian, on the problem of making Mexia a mosquitoless town.

Mr. Steel says that Mexia's dengue epidemic was due to the mosquitoes which were produced in cisterns, old tin cans, refrigerator drips and stock watering troughs. Co-operation on the part of householders is requested in order to prevent a recurrence of dengue. To this end such water containers should be oiled, covered or eliminated completely.

The campaign, as planned by the city officials, will be directed along the three lines of drainage, oiling and inspection and will be under the direction of Dr. Hodges. However, the help of all good citizens will be needed in finding and reporting the breeding places of mosquitoes. This cooperation of citizens and city officials will save the thousands of dollars which dengue exacts from its victims.

BOXING GAME IS GAIN-ING IN BRAZIL

BY U. G. KENNER
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

RIO DE JANERIO—Although Brazil has nothing yet she may compare to Louis Angel Firpo or Jack Dempsey interest in boxing is increasing.

The Rio police have already kept their eyes closed long enough to permit one or two bouts somewhat rougher than a purring match between a coupla three-day-old kittens in a hay manger.

Brazilian might-be boxing promoters are keeping right after the game and promise to give the sportsmen a few good fights shortly.

So far the nearest touch of rail ringdom Rio has had was an interview with Jack Dempsey, together with a photogarph of the champ, printed on the first page of a morning paper recently; a stop of a few hours between boats of the Argentine Firpo while en route to Buenos Aires after his visit to the United States, and a bout between one Battling Dutchy, middleweight champion of Central America, Alaska, and an Argentine middleweight—one "Saviour of Saints' as his Latin name "Salvador Santos" indicates.

The Dutchy-Santos affair ended in a victory for the Central American, Alaskan and north German champion, who won the referee's sympthy after receiving numerous rabbit-punches and other more or less unnameable blows, landing anywhere between his hair and toes.

Brazilian authoorities regard prize fighting a shade too brutal for the entertainment of civilized people, but the international matches held in connection with the Independence Centenary festivies last Septembre did a lot to help the sport in this country. Since then the "boxing bug" is getting deeper into the Brazilian sportsmen.

GREAT MINDS SEPARATE

"What do you immediately think of when you hear the word mint?" asked the famous psychologist.

"Money!" exclaimed the New Yorker

"Julep," murmered the old Southerner.—Ex.

FREEDOM OF THE FEET

BISMARK, N. D.—North Dakotans will not be compelled to wash their feet once a week. The legislators refused to make mandatory weekly ablutions of the pedal extremities. One over-zealous lawmaker sought to attech such a rider to a chiropody regulation bill.

AS ELUCIDATING

Efficiencp Expert Barr: "That's funny. I've been studying this business chart for an hour, but I'm unable to discover what it means."

Mrs. Barr: "No wonder. The baby scribbled that."—Ex.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—English financiers are perfecting arrangements with the federal government for the return of the Interoceanic railroad to private hands under the da la Huerta agreement made in New York.

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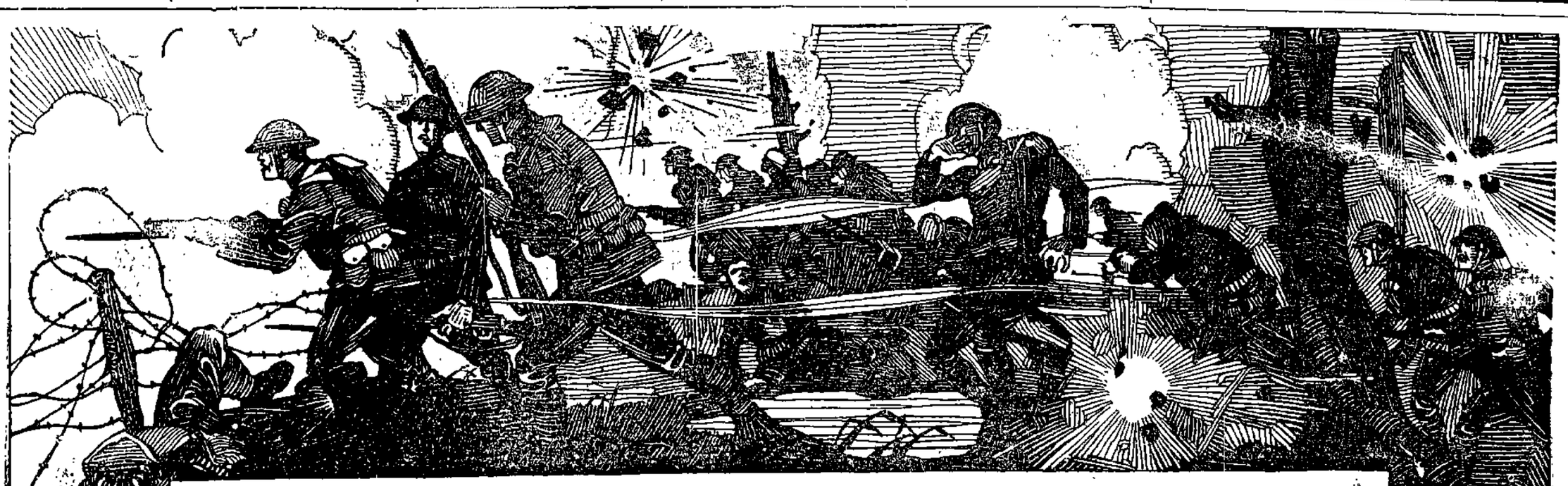

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MANY SAY FAREWELL TO OFFICIAL LIFE AS CONGRESS PREPARES TO GO HOME

Back of Firing Line With Wives All Is Not Gloom As Many Rediscover Husbands

BY LAWRENCE MARTIN
(United Press Staff Corerspondent)

WASHINGTON, March 3.—Farewells to the political life of Washington are now being said by a comparatively large group of the outstanding men in Congerssional life during the last decade.

Some were going back home at the order of the voters. Others just decided to quit.

Heading the list of those voluntarily retiring is the veteran "Uncle Joe" Cannon, a member for 46 years. Another notable figure who will pass off the stage is "Joe" Fordney of Michigan chairman of the House, Ways and Means Committee, who has served 12 continuous terms. House Republican Leader Mondell, having failed to win election to the senate, retires after 13 consecutive terms.

Then there are those senate veterans—Culberson, Texas, McCumber, N. D., who have served since 1899, Page, Vermont, who has been here since 1908; John Sharp, William Hitchcock Townsend and Poindexter, who have served since 1911, and several others who are leaving after one term.

The House also will lose its vetearn dry legislator, Rep. Volstead, and Rep. Campbell, Kansas who has worked up to the chairmanship of the powerful rules committee. Scores of others will not be in the new Congress, among them "Aunt Alice" Robertson, the lady from Oklahoma.

Mingled with "Good by, good luck" which friend extends to friend in the halls of congress, is this query:

"Do you think you will ever come back?"

It is a time of farewells, the breaking of ties which it hurts to break, and for some men the curtain which marks the finish of the great drama in which they have been actors.

"Are you sory to go?" was the question put to men like Hitchcock, Pomerone, John Sharpe Williams—who retiers voluntarily—McCumber, Poindexter and New.

"Yes and no," said Senator Hitchcock who leaves behind him the memory of a charming personality, a great friendliness and marked ability. "Of course, it is a wrench to give up the life to which one has grown accustomed. But it is something to have lived that life, and even a man is beginning to get old, there is spice in variety. It will be good to watch, just as it always has been to help the returning to help."

Thus spoke John Sharpe Williams.

Glad or Sorry?

Pomerene smiled. Pomerene is to some with a reputation for being coldly human, in the sense that he was considered cold and withdrawn from common mortals. No one around the senate found him that, but instead a friendly, genial man with a ready smile.

"You remember," he said, "that you wrote a story one time about my political motto being 'You never can tell?' Well, that's true; you never can tell exactly whether you are going to be glad or sorry. I will be decidedly glad to get back to my law books. I've had my littel share in the senate's work, and for that I am glad."

It was so with all of them. If they felt disappointment over being defeated in the election, they did not show it. "It is the fortune of war to men in politics, everywhere," was their attitude.

Not one of these senators would say a word about expectations of returning some time to the senate. Younger men are forging ahead, and it is not often that senators return.

In the House where the term is but two years against the senate's six, the case is difefrent. There the partings are less seriously taken, for after all, in two years the men who go out tomorrow may be back.

How About the Wives

There is another side to the farewells—the side of the wives and families of those who are departing. Some of them were packing today, paying farewell calls, receiving farewell cards. Others were just staying on, preparing to remain in Washington, with its social gayetics. It is a city that grows upon those who live in it. Most wives find it cold when they first arrive, but after they have been here five years or six, they do not wish to leave.

But those who are going "back home" must break ties they find it harde rto sever than their husbands. So taht, beneath the gayety there were some tears, and the regrets that go with leaving homes grown dear thru the years.

Few of the wives however, shed any tears over their husband's defeat. They may have cried a little when the returns showe dthat Friend Husband had been walloped by the voters, but most of them weer secretly glad, for the wife of a public man is a widow a good part of the time. And political defeat often gives back to such a wife the husband who, because of the tremendous pressure of his official life, had gorwn to be a comparative stranger in his own home. And it followed, therefore, that today some wives were packing for long doferred trips, or planning thing sthat had long been laid away to await a more convenient season, when the Great Man who also happened to be husband would have the time.

And there you have both sides of the goodbye season in Washington.

AUTOMOBILE BLAMED FOR PLATE GLASS SHORTAGE

MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 3.—Manufacture of automobile windshields is revolutionizing the plate glass industry and causing a great shortage of glass throughout the Esser, president of the S United States, according to T. C. Esser, president of the T. C. Esser Paint and Glass Company, here.

"More glass is being manufactured for use in making automobile windshields than that used for building purposes," Esser declared.

With the situation making it difficult to get plate glass, dealers are not taking any chances, according to Esser and are not submitting figures or any work more than thirty days ahead. Only immediate deliveries of plate glass are being handled, as the dealers not knowing whether they will be able to get teh glass when it is needed, or whether the prices will increase, do not want to be left in a lurch.

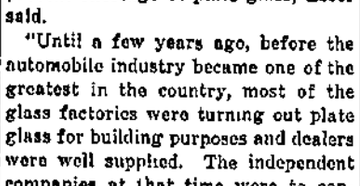
In speaking of the cause for the present shortage of plate glass, Esser said.

"Until a few years ago, before the automobile industry became one of the greatest in the country, most of the glass factories were turning out plate glass for building purposes and dealers were well supplied. The independent companies at that time were to control of the plate glass industry. With the rapid rise of the automobile industry, many of these independent companies were bought up by the large automobile concerns and turned to the manufacture of glass for automobile windshields gradually giving the control of the building plate glass industry over to one big concern."

DECORATE BEST WORKMAN

PARIS.—The art of manual labor will be honored in France, according to a decision taken by the French Ministry of Labor. It has been decided to organize an annual exhibition of craftmanship at the conclusion of which will be proclaimed the best work man of every trade. Each man thus selected will be awarded the Legion of Honor.

VANCOUVER, British Columbia.—Vancouver shipped more than 160,000,000 feet of lumber in 1922.



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KNOX CASE BEFORE THE GRAND JURY

MEMPHILL, Texas, March 3.—"Will they indict Lady Bountiful?"

This question being discussed as the Sabine County jury was called to convene here in March to consider the case of Mrs. Lillian Knox, bound to the jury on a charge of murder in connection with the death of her husband, Hiram Knox, wealthy East Texas lumberman.

Knox was found dying from a bullet wound in the back of his head. Nearby was a pistol.

In the preliminary hearing, the defense contended that Knox took his own life. Letters, addressed to his wife and mother and purporting to have been written by him, were found in pockets of the lumberman's clothing after his death. He had been drinking heavily, it was testified presumably in an effort to forget his financial troubles. Other testimony was introduced to the effect that Knox had made the statement that unless conditions improved, he was "goin to end it all."

The prosecution, however, barnded the letters forgery. They were typewritten.

Teh defense introduced but few witnesses in the preliminary hearing while the prosecution presented a great deal of evidence.

No Powder Burns

Dr. W. T. Arnold, the family physician, who viewed the body soon after the shooting occurred, testified that there were no powder burns. The state held that had Knox shot himself there would have been some marks. Sheriff George Alford substantiated the state's contention when he testified that he had tested the gun which was found and that it produced burns on sheepskin, when discharged at a distance of six inches.

An empty vial was produced. The vial was similar, according to the testimony of a druggist, to one containing a quantity of powerful sleeping potion which was sold to E. T. Carson, Mrs. Knox's secretary, the day prior to the tragedy. That Knox was drugged an dthen shot while in the "attitude of sleep," was one of the theories held by the state. This is the belief of the mothe rof Knox.

Other testimony which the state announced it would trace, was that a large automobile was seen speeding toward San Augustine about the time of Knox's death. Details regarding this car and the driver are expected to be brought out at the grand jury hearing.

Footprints were found under a window of the bathroom adjoining nKox's bedroom, it was disclosed.

At the preliminary hearing it was brought out that, a few days before death, Knox had deeded all of his estate to his wife. The defense held that it disproved a theory of the prosecution that Knox was killed by persons desiring his wealth.

The character of the attractive widow who earne dthe title of "Lady Bountiful" by her benevolence to the poor of the surrounding country, will have a bearing on the case, in the opinion of residents.

During the last epidemic of influenza, she perosnally went to the homes of her employes and took care of the stricken members of their families. The poor were always cared for. A man wanting work could always get it by apolying to her.

But once her displeasure was incurred, she wa srelentless. The fits of temper, however, did not last long. Servants discharged one day were reemployed the next, and in some instances at a much higher wage.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Secretary of Communications has sent a commission of engineers to Central America to superintend the installation of raido-telegraph stations in accordance with agreements concluded with Guatemala, Honduras, Salvador and Costa Rica. The stations will be completed in three months.

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Jad Salts is inexpensive; makes a delightful effervescent lithia water drink which everybody should take now and then to help keep their kidneys clean.

A well-known local druggist says he sells lots of Jad Salts to folks who believe in trying to correct kidney trouble while it is only trouble. By all means have your physician examine your kidneys at least twice a year. (adv.)

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INGENUITY

It was one of those melodramas given by home talent and in the guardhouse scene a real, honest-to-goodness buck private was supposed to be drilled by a bullet while gawing through the bars in an endeavor to gain his liberty. The gun unfortunately missed fire, but the buck, true to form, dropped a sif dead.

Something had to be done and that instantly, but the sergeant of the guard was equal to the emergency.

"Thunder and lightning!" he bellowed. "He's swallowed the hacksaw."—American Legion Weekly.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Because the government believes that the silk industry in this country is now on sufficiently firm footing to be able to compete successfully with foreign manufacturers additional duties decreed upon importation of silks some months past have been suppressed.

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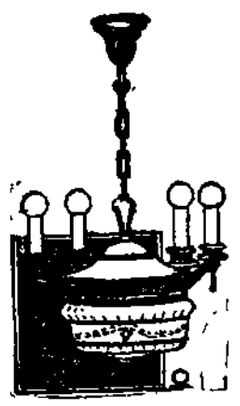

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House Calls a Specialty

BY HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, March 3.—On the same theory that a thing should not be called red because it looks red and because of the established unreliability of circumstantial evidence, it might be said that the New York boxing commission has nothing against Jack Dempsey.

The commission has not suspended, censured or gone officially on record as having it in for Dempsey, but the fact remains that the heavyweight champion cannot work in New York.

Reasons comical and ridiculous were given by the commission for taking a stand against any bout in which Harry Wills, Jess Willard, Tom Gibbons, Battling Siki, Harry Greb or Bill Brennan would appear against Dempsey.

Georges Carpentier and Joe Beckett were not placed on the official embargo list, but when their names begin to be mentioned, the commission could rule that they are too top heavy.

When the commission went so far as to let Jess Willard step over the barriers that they had erected in front of him, it is hard to see any reason for refusing the champion of the class to do a little fighting.

Another act of injustice I sthe persistence of the commission in refusing to lift the suspension of Johnny Wilson, the middleweight champion. If the commission cannot see him as a worthy title holder, perhaps the best thing to do would be to let him fight an delt someone whip him. He can't beat anyone if he is as poor as everyone thinks he is.

Battling Siki got a nine months suspension for doing more than Jack Johnson did when he was forced to flee from the United States. After three months the French Boxing Federation lifted his suspension.

Johnny Wilson has done nothing but route some of the contenders for the title and if that is an offense deserving suspension, no champion would be working but Dempsey.

New York has seen many slick moves pulled off in ring circles, but the bell ringer came off when Floyd Johnson was eased out of his match with Tommy Gibbons. When the young Iowa heavy was matched with Gibbons, everyone in New York told his manager what a mistake had been made and when his manager saw the light, he slipped him out of it.

It was put up to Gibbons that Willard would draw more with Johnson in an outdoor fight than Gibbons would and, as it was a "charity thing," Gibbons couldn't say a thing.

It would make an interesting story to tell why Gibbons and Willard, which would have been a fifty per cent better card, was not chosen.

Johnson promised to meet Gibbons thirty days after he beats Willard (if he does beat him) but it's a two to one shot that Gibbons will never be able to reach Johnson's crowd with a flock of messenger boys if Johnson does beat Willard.

Ever since Tommy Gibbons began to loom up as a prominent contender for the heavyweight title, a campaign has been waged among a certain element to discredit him.

It has been oised around that he wasn't game against a good man, that he was a schemer and that he was a set-up eater.

After missing the opportunity to show what Floyd Johnson erally is and what he could do against a man that his defamers claim is a high class man, Gibbons had a rookie, Jack McAuliffe, shoved on him.

The crowd back of Johnson is starting stories that McAuliffe is a wonder, but if Gibbons knocks him out they come back with a sneer and a—"Another one."

ANTI-CIGARETTE RULE DISCUSSED FOR INTERSCHOLASTIC ATHLETICS

AUSTIN, Texas, March 3.—Whether o rnot Texas should establish an anti-cigarette rule in the University Interscholastic League is the subject of an article in the last issue of the Interscholastic Leaguer, the official publication of the League. Minnesota, North Dakota and Kansas are the only states which have adopted the rule, and opinions from school men of those states are given in the article. The Texas Interscholastic League sent questionnaires to various representative schools of those states, and all replies stated that the schools were in favor of the rule. Not a single one favored a repeal. The great majority stated that the rule is being enforced very successfully.

CARPENTER'S HANDS GONE, HE'S THROUGH

By HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, March 2.—Now that Battling Siki has the shackles off and is free to do some moer fighting, the gorgeous Georges Carpentier, who had a olt of his floss knocked off by the cave-man, has suddenly decided that the public isn't interested in the return bout that he has been yelling for.

While Siki was virtually caged up by the boxing authorities, Carpentier ran up and down in front of the bars barking like a terrier, delivering rights and lefts of wicked words. He called Siki everything and he couldn't wait until nine months should pass so that he could sock Siki.

Then it came to pass that Siki was released after serving three months suspension and when he came out of his cage, Carpentier suddenly lost his voice.

The action of the Frenchman bring back an affair between a mule and a bulldog before the last Army-Yale football game.

Two Yale students were on the field with a most magnififent bulldog towed along on a leash. Two Cadets marched by leading a gaunt old mule and the bulldog fairly went into convulsions of wrath. He stormed and fumed and sought desperately to get at the mule until—

His leash was removed.

With nothing to keep him from his threat to tear the mule to pieces, he ceased his outburst and rather embarressed and humiliated-like he crept around back of his keepers and flattened out on the turf.

French boxing authorities declare that Carpentier is through, that he ought to admit it and retire. They base their opinion on the statement of physicians that his hands are gone and that he never will be able to put any force behind his blows.

If the Frenchman's hands are gone he is through, because no boxer can succeed without hands. A smart brain and a game heart will carry a boxer after most everything else is gone, but nothing will avail him when the old mitts have turned brittle.

Flyweight Class Has New Champion

By HENRY L. FARRELL
United Press Staff Correspondent.

NEW YORK, March 2.—Frankie Genaro, a little swarthy Italian from the East Side, rode into the American flyweight championship, last night on what New Yorkers call, anciently but expressively, "one of those things."

With a "Philadelphia finish," Genaro grandstanded through the last two rounds of a 15-round go with Pancho Villa, the slant-eyed Filipino, and the judges gave him the decision, the title and the good sized wad o fdough that goes with it.

For those who had expected a whirlwind battle from two of the "fightenest" little men in the world, it was a big disappointment and for those who bet 2 to 1 on Pancho, it was a heartbreaker.

There were more yelps at the finish than when the judges handed down the decision last week, that Gene Tunney beat Harry Greb for the light-weight championship.

Villa won every way from Genaro He did all the leading and for a champion that should count 50 per cent. He did all the work and with the exception of a little dig he got in the last round, he was never touched. Villa went through the fight with supreme confidence that he was winning and when the decision was announced he was nearer a knock out than he had ever been in the bout.

Villa had one bad fault—he was too eager to finish the former Olympic champion with a knockout and he missed two dozen shots at the jaw. Genaro is a great boxer and he made the Filipino look bad when he tried to connect and couldn't.

Had Villa gone out like Genaro, who obviously was there just to win on points if he could, the title never would have changed ownership, insofr as one can surmise in these days of terrible decisions. Genaro was just there to box and make a good showing, the idea of a knock out never entering his head. He just stood there catching them as Villa pitched them over to him The judges apparently regarded him a mighty good catcher.

Pancho Villa And Italian Fight Today

By HENRY L. FARRELL
United Press Staff Correspondent.

NEW YORK, March 1.—Pancho Villa, the first yellow man who could fight, has become a 2 to 1 shot to beat little Italian Frankie Genaro, from one of the "fightenest" races on earth tonight in Madison Square Garden.

The wee-wees are to battle for the American flyweight championship and a shot at Jimmy Wilde, the little Welshman who holds the world's title.

The two youngsters have met twice in the past, and Genaro who won the Olympic championship of his weight in Antwerp, beat the little Filipino, because he knew too much for h .

Villa has picked up greatly in ring knowledge since that time, and he has acquired a finesse and a punch He is about the most efficient fighting machine in the ring, with the exception of Jack Dempsey.

Pancho ought to win tonight because he has the confidence that goes with the possession of a championship, and has most everything else that he needs. Genaro is a great little fighter, but up against fast going in previous bouts he has shown that 15 rounds will be quite a distance for him—perhaps too much.

Public Should Give Willard Square Deal

BY HENRY L. FARRELL
(United Press Sports Editor)

NEW YORK, March 3—Jess Willard stoled everyone with the terrible showing he made at Toledo in 1919 and he made cross all the wise men when he essays his comeback here next May.

The former champion may be a sohwfinker, but he isn't such a dumbbell that he will not profit by the mistakes he made when he was getting ready to meet Jack Dempsey

The errors the big Kansas cowboy made were grave and serious.

He had a badly swollen head and he thought he was so good no one could get him. He thought he knew so much he did not need training advice or competent seconds in his corner. He didn't train and he didn't hold his hands up.

It was a costly lesson he learned that July afternoon and unless he applies it his second downfall will be even more ignominious than the first.

Granting that Floyd Johnson is a promising heavyweight, that he is big and strong and that he can hit, he is no Dempsey and it was a great Dempsey, great a sDempsey ever will be, who forced Willard to stop in Toledo.

If Willard has sense enough to go out against Johnson, keep his hands up, move around a little and make some use of his commanding reach, it is hard to figure how Johnson can hope to knock him out. Perhaps Johnson could outpoint him if the bout does go the limit, but merely winning a decision from Willard will not make the populace rise upand yell—"We want Dempsey and Johnson."

Dempsey is the one that the Johnson crowd is after and Mr. Kearnes' most recent logic is—"We will fight anyone the public demands."

Regardless of what faults he has been guilty of in the past, and vanity and selfishness seemed the worst offenses, Willard ought to get a square deal. He was not treated right on his recent trip to New York. He was sneered at and jeered and if he hadn't been game, he would have flown from New York to the marching tune of the raspberry. Many stories were passed around about him, one of the latest being that he was knocked out in the Madison Square Garden gym one afternoon during his workout by George Godfrey, the colored protege of Jack Johnson. His refusal to box several times for the Red Cross during the war and several other skeletons from the closet were rattled, but Willard stuck it out and he finally got himself a match.

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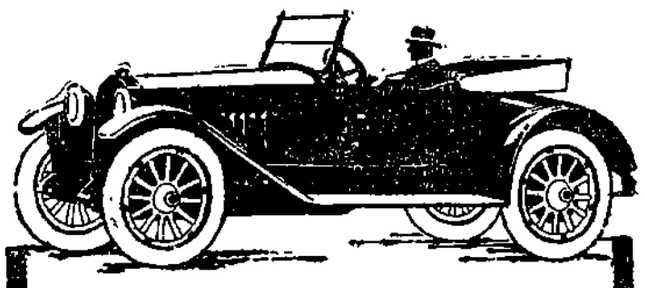

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THE QUESTION---"WILL A COTTON MILL PAY DIVIDENDS IN MEXIA?" IS ANSWERED IN THE REPORTS OF TEXAS MILLS GIVEN BELOW

MILL NUMBER ONE—BONHAM TEXAS

This mill was built in 1901 and has been in continuous operation ever since. Capital when organized $150,000 and only $135,000 paid in. Amount invested at beginning $165,000, $30,000 of which was borrowed. In 1906 capital was increased to $200,000 through a stock dividend. The present value of mills is $700,000.

Four additions have been made to the mill costing $450,000 which were paid for out of the profits. Original value of stock was $100 per share and the book value is over $200 a share and none can be bought at any where near that price. There was originally 167 stockholders and when this was written there were 98. All of the stockholders are local people and out of the 98, 67 of the number are widows and estates. The money of many of these people was invested in the mill at the beginning because it was considered a safe investment. Last spring the physical properties were sold to the Consolidated Textile Company for $600,000. After liquidating the liquid assets the sale of the mill aggregated $800,000. Average dividends for past twenty years, including the panic of 1907 and 1914—twenty-five per cent.

MILL NUMBER TWO—DENISON, TEXAS

This mill was built in 1891. Has been in constant operation since 1905. Capital when organized $300,000. Total amount invested at the beginning the same with no working capital. Mill now has a capital stock of $350 to $400 per share but none for sale at any price. This mill has only seven stockholders and is practically a closed corporation. In 1905 they issued $150,000 in bonds which have since been retired out of the profits. Their taxes including those paid to the Government in 1917 were $168,000 and their taxes in 1918 including the Government's were $265,000. In 1918 when these figures were obtained this company showed earnings of an average of 21½ per cent for each of the 13 years operated since 1905.

In a letter from one of the presidents of one of the largest banks in the city in which this mill is located, dater November 13th, 1920, we quote as follows: "The experience of these mills that we already have here is sufficient evidence in all ways to answer the question. I do not know of one of them that has not made from fifty to one hundred per cent in the last few years, the mill at Bonham, the one at Waxahachie, at McKinney, the one at Denison and other mills that I know of, have made money beyond any expectations they may have had." This mill makes duck and drilling, and markets their output principally in Seattle and New York. They employ 275 to 300 people and have a pay roll of $150,000 to $300,000.

MILL NUMBER THREE—SHERMAN, TEXAS

Built in 1891 and on account of mismanagement was idle from 1895 to 1900. Capital when organized $100,000 with no working capital. Was reorganized and a bond issue for $125,000 was floated in 1904. It now has only seven stockholders and is a closed corporation with all the stock being practically owned by Wellington Sears and Company of Boston, Mass. The present book value is probably $150 per share but it is worth considerably more and none for sale. No dividend rate is given by the management but it is known that they have been making a great deal of money. They make duck, have 156 employees and an annual payroll of $100,000.

MILL NUMBER FOUR—McKINNEY, TEXAS

This mill was built in 1911 and is one of the few mills west of the Mississippi river that has a dye plant and makes colored goods. This mill has been in operation continuously since it was built. It started operation during very bad trade conditions, nevertheless the mills has been ably managed and a money maker from the beginning and doubled its capacity some five years ago. Capital when organized $150,000 and was afterward raised to $440,000 through the sale of additional stock. The original cost of the stock was $50 per share and the present value is probably $200 and cannot be bought at any price. This mill is pointed out as one of the best in the state, and while no definite figures as to dividends are given out, the opinion of responsible people is to the effect that this mill has made over 20 per cent yearly since its organization. The products are denim, for overalls, awnings and suitings. They have 250 employes and a pay roll of $182,000. In May 1920 the capital stock of this company was increased from $440,000 to $750,000.

MILL NUMBER FIVE—DALLAS, TEXAS

Established in 1888 and is the oldest mill in Texas. Was reorganized in 1889 and again in 1891, and with the exception of about six months has been in operation almost continuously the entire time. Capital when organized was $200,000 and that was probably the total amount invested at the beginning. In 1891 in was recapitalized for $275,000 and in 1916 this amount was reduced to $250,000 which is the capital at the present time. This history of the company under the present management shows continuous earnings for the past fifteen years. The original cost of stock was $100 per share but it is doubtful if any could be bought for $400 per share at the present time.

While no dividend statement is obtainable on account of its being a closed corporation of only seven stockholders, still we have it upon information considered reliable that their earnings have averaged more than 25 per cent for the past ten years on their capitalization, and the value of the mill and assets at the present time is in the neighborhood of $1,000,000. Their products are ducks and drills; have about 225 employes and a pay roll of $156,000.

MILL NUMBER SIX— CORSICANA, TEXAS

This mill was built in 1900. Was closed down a number of times on account of bad management in the early days. However the mill was reorganized in 1911 and has been successfully operated ever since. The present capitalization of the mill is $100,000 and it is said that it paid for itself in 1911 and 1912 out of the profits, and in 1916 the plant was doubled in size out of its earnings. The original stock cost $100 per share and its present value is around $250, but none for sale. It is also practically a closed corporation as there are but ten stockholders. This mill makes flat duck and osnaburgs. Has 250 employes and the pay roll is around $200,000.

MILL NUMBER SEVEN—WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS

This mill was organized by local people and built in 1911. This mill had an original investment of $185,000, $100,000 capital and $35,000 borrowed money. It has since been recapitalized for $200,000. Original value of the stock was $100, present value is unknown, but understand that $250 per share was offered but refused. The number of stockholders in the beginning was 100 and in 1918 it was still 100, and the owners of this stock are merchants, private citizens, one of two estates, a number of widows and several farmers who are satisfied with their investment. In 1908 an addition was made to this mill costing $100,000, in 1913 another was made to this mill costing $30,000 and in 1918 another at a cost of $25,000, all out of the earnings. Continuous dividends have been paid since 1901. The average dividend for twenty years was 25 per cent, or a total of 500 per cent. To say nothing of the increased value of the stock and the large additions to the mill. Plant today worth approximately $600,000 regardless of the fact that it has been operated for twenty years and has earned its total cost more than five times over during that period. The products of this mill is duck. Employs 180 people and has a yearly pay roll of $180,000.

MILL NUMBER EIGHT—HILLSBORO, TEXAS

Smallest mill ever built in Texas up to the time of its installations. Built in 1902 with a capital stock of $100,000 of which only $55,000 was paid in and the balance borrowed. Original cost of stock $100, present book value around $150 but none can be bought at any price. Original number of stock holders about 100. 1918 an addition was built to the mill costing $150,000 which was paid out of the earnings. In 1915-16-17 this mill paid a total of 31 per cent dividends and 1918 the dividends were put into improvements. This mill manufactures duck and has 150 employes.

MILL NUMBER NINE—WEST, TEXAS

Mill was built in 1900 by local people with a capital of $100,000 and has been in operation nearly 20 years. It was reorganized in 1904 with the same capitalization. The value of the stock was $100 per share and the present value about $225, but none offered at price or higher. There are 30 stockholders, all local people, and among the number are six farmers, who are more than satisfied with the management of experienced mill men. The capital when organized was $160,000 and was recapitalized in 1912. In 1916 there was an addition to the mill and equipment costing $150,000 and while the dividend rate is not available, it is a well known fact that this mill is well organized and successfully operated, and are today rated as one of the best of the smaller mills of the state. They have a pay roll of $50,000 to $75,000.

MILL NUMBER FOURTEEN—GONZALES, TEXAS

The capital of this mill is $200,000 and was put in operation along the same lines as the Cuero Mill, having been bought in by local capital, and an experienced mill man placed in charge of the operation of the mill. No definite report available but it is understood to be a big money maker now.

MILL NUMBER FIFTEEN—BELTON, TEXAS

This mill was built as a yarn mill and although its cost of construction was $150,000 it was built on too small basis to be a money-making proposition. Four years ago plant was purchased by Charlotte, N. C., parties who sent experienced mill operators to take charge and in consequence it was operated so successfully that in two years its capacity was doubled. This mill offered to sell last year at $400,000, although the original cost was but $150,000.

MILL NUMBER SIXTEEN—WACO, TEXAS

Capitalization originally for $500,000 and increased to $1,000,000 in September 1920. This is the finest and most modern mill in Texas and compares favorably with any mill in the United States. This mill was built with a view to making denims for the exclusive use of the overalls factories owned by same people as the mill. It has five thousand spindles, a complete dye plant, and is the last word in cotton mill construction. It has not been in operation for a sufficient length of time to make even an estimate of its earnings but it will prove an immense success and money maker because properly equipped and handled.

MILL NUMBER SEVENTEEN—SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

Is located in the extreme southern part of the state, and is now about ready to start operation. This is one of the newest types of mills, and as they intend to use Mexican labor their operations will be kept track of with a great deal of interest. The looms are of extra width and will be used for making ducks, drills and osnaburgs and it is expected to set a new record of earnings, once it is in full operation.

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TIVITY IN THE COTTON SPINNING INDUSTRY FOR JANUARY, 1923.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 3.—The Department of Commerce announces that, according to preliminary figures compiled by the Bureau of the Census, there were 37,225,419 cotton spindles in place in the United States on January 31, 1923, which 35,240,853 were operated at some time during the month, compared with 34,968,440 for December, 1922, 34,664,- for November, 33,859,076 for October, 33,296,513 for September, 32,499,324 for August, and 34,441,419 for January,

The aggregate number of active spindle hours reported for month was ,266,299,904. Based on an activity of 26½ days, allowance being made for the observance of New Year's in some mills, for 8.74 hours per day, the average number of spindles during January was 40,008,203 or at 107.5 per cent on a single shift basis. This number compared with of 37,668,116 for December, 39,469,039 for 931 for October, 34,822,378 for September, August, and 35,739,350 for January, 1922. The active spindle hours per spindle in place for

The number of cotton spinning spindles in place, the number of active spindle hours and the average spindle hours per spindle in place by states, are shown in the following statement:

State	Spinning Spindles In Place Jan. 31	Active spindle hours for January Active during January	Total	Avg. per spin.
United States	37,225,419	35,240,853	9,266,299,904	249
Cotton states	16,229,545	15,966,294	4,980,072,640	307
All other states	20,995,874	19,274,559	4,286,227,264	204
Alabama	1,315,020	1,256,825	381,032,753	290
Connecticut	1,374,860	1,323,020	293,947,938	214
Georgia	2,694,158	2,637,754	804,144,951	298
Maine	1,145,160	1,129,673	256,638,154	224
Massachusetts	11,987,402	10,855,794	2,305,830,742	192
New Hampshire	1,448,660	1,315,161	294,221,541	203
New Jersey	448,863	434,384	86,828,734	193
New York	1,024,916	945,024	257,576,605	251
North Carolina	5,384,609	5,329,563	1,747,816,605	325
Pennsylvania	201,031	151,263	33,180,997	165
Rhode Island	2,890	2,689,661	655,373,260	227
South Carolina	5,109,750	5,062,427	1,584,537,479	310
Tennessee	437,560	429,532	118,663,980	271
Virginia	628,058	609,537	150,636,837	240
All other states	1,135,774	1,064,235	295,869,328	261

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Circuit Chatter

By HECK

Just can't seem to get hold of any that will be of interest in a baseball way with you fans but I noticed an article in the Star-Telegram where Paris was getting busy and organizing for next season and according to the report they will lay claim to all of last years players now on their reserve list most of whom had been signed by Red Snapp who will manage the Ardmore club in the Western Association. Red seems to have figured that the T-O league was as good as dead and buried and took what players Paris had left for his Ardmore entry and it looks like Red pulled a boner since Paris is to claim those players and naturally they will get them since they had them reserved last fall. I have not heard anymore news about Paris and Greenville getting into the Texas-Association but since Ike Sablosky has taken half interest in the Greenville club and Paris is again getting the fever it's a cinch that Ike and Paul will have their fingers in the pie somewhere and that means that Paris and Greenville will be farms for the Fort Worth and Dallas clubs respectively and if there are enough chumps in north Texas to help them organize another T-O league and let them pull what they did last year we can thank our stars that we aer not a member of the circuit. I have a hunch that the organizers of the new T-O will try to deal the Texas-Association some misery and they may get away with a little of it, but not much.

The whole scheme if Ike and Paul is so plain that a blind man could find it with his stick and anyone can see with the naked eye that they must have a "farm" for their cast-off players and as there is no league ener that will accept players under option their only out is a new elague—hence their terrible interest in a new T-O circuit.

Another reason is that they must have a place to send their players under option is that both Dalls a Fort Worth will send several players down under option simply to keep them under cover and thus keep anyother club in the Texas league from getting them just as they did Taylor, Bratcher, Gray and Griesenbeck of the Paris club last season and also Bryan and Seely of the Greenville club when there were cash offers well into four figures offered for those players by other Class A clubs.

Sure, I know that the Texas league has the waiver rule this year but that rule is a joke and has been for a long, long time and in this manner. Supposing that Fort Worth wants to release Chick Taylor to Paris under option and the other clubs want to do the same thing with some of their players. All that is necessary then if for them all to agree to waive on each others players and the deed is done and that is just what is going on every day with the waiver rule. However, Paul will never send Chick Taylor to a smaller league again and I have that information from Chick himself and it may be a case for Judge Landis if it does happen and in that event Paul is due for one of those drastic actions for which the judge is famous.

Hub Northen was due back Thursday but sickness in the family held him back but I look for him any day and in the meantime I am saving up for a defense I will have to make in the near future so watch fo rit.

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HORROS OF THOMPSON

By CHAS. McCANN
United Press Staff Correspondent.

LONDON, March 3.—Mrs. Edith Thompson, hanged for complicity in the murder of her husband by her lover, Frederick Bywaters, probably closed the list of women victims of the hangman in England.

To the horror of her ordeal there has now been added doubt that she was guilty. The theory has been advanced that letters she wrote to Bywaters referring to various poisons, presumably to be administered to the husband, really concerned her fears that she was to become a mother, and her desire to take the poisons to remedy her condition.

Guilty or not guilty, Mrs. Thompson's execution, and the revulsion that followed it, are expected to prevent the hanging of another woman.

Was a Nervous Wreck

Mrs. Thompson alternated between coma and hysteria during the night preceding her execution. Between daylight and the time she was hanged, she was a semi-conscious, sobbing, babbling, nervous wreck, trembling, eyes streaming, hair dishevoled.

She was half-dragged, half carried to the gallows between a man and a woman warden, who held her upright upon the gallows until the noose was adjusted and the drop released.

Lawyers still disagree as to the justice of Mrs. Thompson's conviction. She was found guilty solely by the silent testimony of dozens of passionate love letters to her lover.

Mr. and Mrs. Thompson were returning to their suburban home from a London theatre when Bywaters, who had been lying in wait, stabbed the husband with a dagger.

Mrs. Thompson was heard to scream, to cry, "Don't." But when the police arrived at the scene—Bywaters had disappeared—she declared she did not know who had stabbed the husband.

zAnyway Mrs. Thompson was convicted and hanged under revolting circumstances. She had never had a chance of reprieve. There was no question of the fairness of her trial, or that of Bywaters. The British judicial system is stern, but scrupulously just.

Heard the Hammers

The public were glad when the woman was hanged. Then there began to leak out details of the scenes preceding her execution. She had tried to keep her nerve, and had been successful up to the night before her death. Finally her position overwhelmed her. She could hear the hammers driving the nails into the scaffold being erected just outside the wall of her cell.

During the night she would sleep fitfully, waking with a scream, "Don't! Don't" reminiscent of the night of the murder; scream hysterically for a time; and sobbing, or faint—to awake again screaming. During the night, she died a dozen deaths on the scaffold.

In the morning she was a weak, broken animal at bay, and tried weakly, almost like a pouting child to resist, when the wardens and the executioner entered her cell to tie her arms and lead her the few yards to the scaffold.

Since the execution there had been a constant discussion as to hanging women. If another woman ever is placed in Mrs. Thompson's position, it is unlikely that either the public or the government will permit her execution.

AUTOMOBILE BLAMED FOR PLATE GLASS SHORTAGE

MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 3.—Manufacture of automobile wind shields is revolutionizing the plat glass industry and causing a great shortage of glass throughout th Esser, president of the S United States, according to T. C. Esser, president of the T. C. Esser Fair and Glass Company, here.

"More glass is being manufactured for use in making automobile windshields than that used for building purposes," Esser declared.

With the situation making it difficult to get plate glass, dealers are not taking any chances, according to Esser and are not submitting figures or any work more than thirty days ahead. Only immediate deliveries of plate glass are being handled, as the dealers not knowing whether they will be able to get teh glass when it is needed, or whether the prices will increase, do not want to be left in a lurch.

In speaking of the cause for the present shortage of plate glass, Esser said.

"Until a few years ago, before the automobile industry became one of the greatest in the country, most of the glass factories were turning out plate glass for building purposes and dealers were well supplied. The independent companies at that time were to control of the plate glass industry. With the rapid rise of the automobile industry, many of these independent companies were bought up by the large automobile concerns and turned to the manufacture of glass for automobile windshields gradually giving the control of the building plate glass industry over to one big concern."

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Now is the time to get that odd piece for bed room, dining room and whole house. We have put on sale, all the odd pieces in our store at from 25% to 50% reductions. Every article has a red tag on it and marked in plain figures. Now is the time to buy. We invite your inspection and comparison.

Below are listed a few items

BRIDGE LAMPS: Mahogany base with rose, blue or taupe silk shades, $18.00 values.....$11.75
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Any clothes basket in our window.....$1.98
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Do These Expressions Mean Anything To You, Mexia Citizen

A representative of The Mexia Daily News went out on the streets Saturday and interviewed at random a number of Mexia citizens and the interviews are herewith reproduced as accurately as possible, which shows what the people of Mexia think about the Cotton Mill.

KEELING SAYS:

W. J. Keeling said: "You want to know what I think about it, do you? Well, an opportunity like this never presents itself but once. If Mexia turns this chance down, I do not see how they could ever raise the Cotton Mill question again. We can raise the money and we are going to do it. I wish I was in position to take more of the stock, I regard it as one of the best investments ever offered."

MAYOR SPEAKS:

Ernest Watson is quoted as saying: "At the most it is money loaned to a project that will benefit the town and pay fair returns. There is no question but that enterprises of this kind help build cities and citizens who expect to make Mexia their home should be willing to invest it it."

A. T. SHULZ

A. T. Schulz said: "Cities are built by industries, wholesale trade and in some degree by retail trade drawn from other territory. A community chat tries to live by merely swapping dollars among themselves cannot grow or prosper. A cotton mill of the capacity contemplated and managed as it will be by experienced and competent men, is the Corner Stone to solid prosperity for Mexia. Any industry or business that draws its revenue from outside territory and spends the revenue here for labor and the products of the surrounding fields, adds that much to the wealth and prosperity of our city and surrounding country. It will also attract other industries and business. Watch Mexia grow. Three rousing cheers for the Mexia Cotton Mill."

CITY ENGINEER

R. D. Mrogan, city engineer and superintendent of the water works, said, "I am for it because it will be good for everybody and means more water customers."

WAGNER

Dick Wagner, typewriter and office supplies, and genial sceretary of the Salesmanship club said: "I am for it because it will be one more step toward making Mexia the trade center for this section of Texas."

REX FORREST

Rex Forrest said, "I am for it because when we build a cotton mill we are helping Mexia grow. When we build a cotton mill we can establish other industries."

PHIL KARNER

Phil Karner said, "I believe that it is the best prospect for dividends in the South today, nothing of a manufacturing nature can equal it."

A. H. BERRY

A. H. Berry said, "I am most heartily in favor of the proposition. A cotton mill is the most highly desirable interest the town can get, not so much for the mill itself, but that it opens the way for other enterprises. Cotton mills are also highly satisfactory from the investment standpoint."

TOM NOLAN

Tom Noland said: "I have lived in Cotton Mill towns for the best part of my early life and I know that they are dividend payers. It would never do for Mexia to pass this wonderful opportunity. Mexia people should remember that purchase of this stock is an investment and a good one."

V. B. GARDNER

V. B. Gardner said. "It is the best project ever put up to the people of Mexia and if we ever expect to have a cotton mill now is the opportune time to get it. We have men like J. K. Hughes who come here and back the proposition like he does. The more reason that the old citizens of Mexia should go their limit."

W. K. BOYD

W. K. Boyd said, "I think it is the proper thing. It is the thing we want. You never go on a corner but that you hear people talking the cotton mill while de do not want to be too optimistic, we should stay with J. K. Hughes, Jack Womack, Blake and Sanford Smith and John Sweatt and others until the fight is won."

J. K. HUGHES

J. K. Hughes was out of town when the interviews were secured but the fact that himself and family have invested $37,500.00 in the proposition is argument enough.

BLAKE SMITH

Blake Smith who has always been a booster and is a member of the Cotton Mill committee, said: "The building of a cotton mill on the right basis is the best thing we can do. It is not so much the mill, but the other industries it will lead to. I feel sure that the present plan is the right one and as a member of the committee I am going to see that all details are safely arranged and assure the people that the interests of Mexia will be carefully taken care of by all the committee."

E. L. SMITH

E. L. Smith said: "Here is how I feel about the mill. The eyes of the mill men generally are on Texas, and the towns that get these mills have the best chance to be mill centers. We cannot afford to miss the chance and cannot afford not to make it successful."

R. F. BABB

R. F. Babb said, "The strongest argument in favor of the cotton mill is the fact that the mill has met with such success in Corsicana. With experienced cotton mill men it should pay well. I am in favor of it because it is going to be a paying proposition. The reason we need industries of all kinds is that we are in need of permanent pay rolls."

JUDGE W. M. WHITE

Judge White says "it is not as though we were putting in a new industry, but more like we were taking stock in one of the Cannon mills which is already a going and successful concern. We will be getting the benefit of their years of successful experience and I believe the mill will be a success from the start. I think the citizens of Mexia can well afford to support the enterprise. Both from an investing and a civic standpoint."

BILLIE SIMMONS

B. B. Simmons of the J. K. Hughes Oil Company asked the question, "Is there any way the merchants of this town can be stirred up? It looks to me like they are not taking the interest that they should in the proposition. They will benefit directly and should be alive to the situation. I have studied the cotton mill proposition pretty thoroughly and firmly believe it to be a sound business proposition, not only for the citizens and business people of Mexia but for the wise investing public. I confidently believe that it will be an asset to Mexia and a handsome dividend payer to its stockholders."

J. C. YELDELL

J. C. Yeldell said, "I feel as if it will be a good paying investment or I would not have taken the stock. I am about up on the donation proposition and if I felt it was that way I would pass it up."

J. SANFORD SMITH

J. Sanford Smith said, "I am putting my money into it because I think it is a good investment and think it a good thing for the town, otherwise I would not be interested."

JESSE McLENDON

Jesse McLendon said, "It is the next best thing to Real Estate and is bound to be a good thing for the town."

NELSON FORREST

Nelson Forrest said, "It looks to me like it is going over the top. I think it is a good thing and will be a good investment.

SAM COX

Sam Cox says, "I think it is one of the best things in the world for both the town and as an investment."

JACK WOMACK

Jack Womack left on the 12:50 train and could not be seen but he is on the Committee and he intends to see that the interest of the people will be well taken care of in final arrangemnts. He is for the proposition.

JOHN SWEATT

John Sweatt was not accessable Saturday afternoon but he is giving it his active endorsement and is one of the committee to see that Mexia's interest is carefully taken care of.

W. W. BARNETT

W. W. Barnett said, "Mexia has never failed yet and won't fail this time. As I see it this mill will not go through the usual experimental stage and this is the key to the whole situation. It is not whether a merchant can afford to buy stock in the mill, but rather is a question as to whether they can afford not to buy."

A. H. EUBANKS

A. H. Eubanks, vice-president of the Farmers State Bank said, "Mexia is on the threshold of a forward or backward movement. A cotton mill will pay dividends and means progress. I will be at the meeting Monday."

CONWAY TEARLE RESCUES ELAINE HAMMERSTEIN FROM RIVER

Perhaps you are tired of desert scenes taken out in the wildernesses of Long Island; of hectic snow storms staged in warm, comfortable studios; of swirling, mad rivers that come from high powered fire hoses? Perhaps you are tired of card-board mountains and papier mache landscapes? Then you will be delighted to see the real thing in "One Week of Love," coming here tomorrow to play at the National theater.

"One Week of Love" will take you out into the mountains of Mexico made not by studio carpenters, but by the hand of God. The flaming vistas of prairie and desert are old as Eternity itself; and the rivers are real rivers that have flown since the Great Glacier retreated from our American soil. Every scene meant to be staged outdoors was with the great natural background sacting as studio accessories. The script called for Mexico and the Great Southwest. And Lewis J. Selznick who produced the picture ordered his company out to the places specified in ih sstory. The resulting picture is therefore one of the most beautiful and realistic ever made; the desedts are real and not make believe; the storms were staged by that greatest wizard of all, Dame Nature; and there wasn't a fire hose around in miles when the river scenes were taken.

In the making of "One Week of Love" great risks were incurred; players, directors and cameramen did not escape unscathed. Elaine Hammerstein, one of the stars of the production almost lost her life in the swirling rapids of a river where scenes were taken. Had it not been for Conway Tearle, the other star of the production, she might not be thanking her lucky stars today. Mr. Tearle, an accomplished swimmer, did some real heroics in the emergency and Miss Hammerstein was fetched form what appeared to be almost ceretain death. These things only go to show to what lengths a motion picture company will sometimes go to get real effectiveness into the celluloid. It is like the biulding of a great bridge that spans a mighty river; until the bridge is completed, every man stands by his task facing death with a cheerful grin and a stolid bravery. He knows that the completed bridge is worth the risks. And so is it with Mr. Selznick's "One Week of Love." The completed production is worth all the chances taken.

Even Miss Hammerstein will tell you that.

CONWAY TEARLEE AND AN DELAINE HAMMERSTEIN IN "ONE WEEK OF LOVE" AT THE NATIONAL

In "One Week of Love," which comes to the National theater tomorrow film patrons of this city are in for a hilarious time of it. The picture is quite the most exciting and impressive piece of work that has been threatening to explode upon us for weeks. Certainly Myron Selznick, who produced the picture has never sent us anything quite so enthralling.

Here are the ingredients that make the picture one of unusual appeal: A twin-starring combination, Elaine Hammerstein and Conway Tearle, playing together for the first time; a story by Edward J. Montagne that one may call really "big" without blushing in embarrassment; direction by George Archainbaud that fulfills all former promises made by this imaginative Franchman; and a supporting cast that is not dwarfed even by the full-power starring combination.

The picture is in accordance with the Selznick company's new-hatched policy: That of producing "big" stories only with crowded star casts. The company has put its best foot forward in this case, and it is to be hoped that they will make others fully as good. Will Hays is not the only one who will applaud "One Week of Love."

The story concerns a society girl who suddenly tires of the earth and worldly pleasures and decides to take a jaunt in an areoplane. Unfortunately, she flies in the same spirit that she dances; and when he plane accidentally comes down to earth, a lot of her high-faultin' notions come down with her. She lands right in a nest of outlaws, the chief of whom is a sort of a Captain Kidd of the mountains.

From this point on the story is conclusively and totally absorbing so that one wishes for an extra eye to view all the goings-on. The girl, far from being a mechanical doll that does as it is told, evinces a spirit that is at once audacious and courageous. Nevertheless, she has a battle and a half on her hands trying to ward off this God's-Country Sheik. To give away the story before it has received the key to ou rcity would be doind it a great injustice. We can only say that it is a splendid example of the motion picture at its best and is its own excuse for being.

It is a strictly up-to-date story that is unfolded in "One Week of Love," the Selznick production that will be seen at the National theater for three days beginning Monday. The heroine is a modern girl—brave, resourceful and quick-witted—a regular fighting flapper. Miss Elaine Hammerstein, star of "One Week of Love," says that the role of Beth Wynn is one of the most interesting and certainly the most exciting she ever has played.

As for the hero, he is not 100 per cent perfect American manhood. Women movie fans don't like the Model Hero any more. And so the leading man played by Conway Tearle in "One Week of Love," is a Bad Man. In fact, he is a Cave Man. Naturally, in the final rade-out, he wins the girl.

TO CELEBRATE FLORIDA'S DISCOVERY AT ST. AUGUSTINE

Ready for the Ponce de Leon Pageant.

St. Augustine: The discovery of Florida by Ponce de Leon in 1512 will be celebrated here by a pageent, festival, athletic, aquatic and musical program on April 4th, 5th and 6th. Several thousand persons in period costumes will participate in the landing of Ponce de Leon from his ancient caraval; in the scaling of Fort Marion, the first Spanish stronghold on the North American continent, built in 1565; in the subjugation of the Indians; in the founding of St. Augustine by Menendez in 1565, as well as in the raising of the Stars and Stripes on Fort Marion in 1821.

Florida towns will send large delegations to participate in the pageant which will mark an event of first importance in the history of the United States. Although Florida was discovered 411 years ago its commercial development dates only a generation back. In 1887 Henry M. Flagler of Cleveland started construction of the Ponce de Leon Hotel at St. Augustine, and started the great Florida East Coast Railway that runs down to Key West, traversing the sea for 118 miles. It was only 27 years ago that he began construction on the Hotel Royal Palm, the first building in Miami except an old Indian trading post. Today Miami has a population of 45,900. Florida has a population of over one million. Four and one-half million acres of swamp lands are being reclaimed in the Everglades. A sugar mill has already been erected at a cost of one and one-half million dollars to crush cane grown on the reclaimed land. There are five thousand miles of surfaced roads in the state.

The modern city of St. Augustine where the discovery of this commonwealth will be celebrated has preserved more of the old Spanish architecture than any city in the United States and more than most in South America. It is a starting point for motorists in Florida a records about 500 arriving cars a day in winter season. The climate in April is ideal. The whole country is invited to attend the colorful carnival and sports events for which prizes are offered.

Hardware Dealers To Request New Building For A. and M. College

COLLEGE STATION, Texas, March 3—The Texas Hardware and Implement Association will send a committee before the appropriations committee of the senate and house when the general appropriations bill comes up and ask that $150,000 be made available in September, 1923 for biulding at the A. & M. College of Texas an agricultural engineering laboratory which will properly house and protect the farm machinery and tractors which have been loaned to the College by the Implement dealers for use in class demonstration work and which represent a liability to the College of $60,000.00, and which will also furnish sanitary conditions of study and other conveniences necessary for effective instruction.

This is the decision expressed in the report of the special investigating committee of the association which was appointed at the Dallas meeting early in the spring and which made its investigation at the College last week. The report has just been received by D. Scoates, professor of Agricultural Engineering.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—General "Pancho" Villa, former famed chieftain, has announced that he will not establish a private bank at Parral as planned because the federal government will establish a national bank.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Because of expected increase in tourist travel to this city the leading hotels are constructing large additions. The Hotel Regis will have 70 new rooms in several months besides other modern improvements. Also the bar is being enlarged.

MRS. J. K. HUGHES HONORED BY MANY LADIES AT RECENT BIRTHDAY EVENT IN HER HONOR

Miss Cathereene McGrail entertained a few friends Monday, Feb. 26, in compliment to her sister, Mrs. J. K Hughes, the occasion being the latter's birthday.

While Mrs. Hughes was in town in the afternoon, about thirty matrons were assembling in her home and upon her return "gerat" was her surprise to find so many callers.

Amidst much talking and laughter indulged in by this happy crowd, a piano solo was rendered by Mrs. Chas. Kennon, followed by several humorous readings given by Miss Jensen. Later on Mrs. Blake Smith played an instrumental number and a vocal solo was given by Mrs. Geo. Peyton.

At a late hour, delicious refreshments consisting of chicken salad, potato chips, olives, pickles, hot tea, biscuits and tea, molded cream and individual angel food cake, was served the guests after which they reluctantly departed after wishing Mrs. Hughes many happy returns of the day and many more happy birthdays and voting Miss Cathereene a charming and pleasing hostess. Mrs. Geo. Peyton assisted the hostess in the afternoon's entertainment.

42 CLUB

Mrs. Ernest Watson was hostess to the Forty-two club Tuesday afternoon. Four tables comprised the party. A dainty tray luncheon consisting of salad, hot rolls, tea and chocolate russe was served. Table favors were potted pink hyacinthes. Guests other than the club members were Mesdames J. K. Hughes, Kendrick, Ed Measels and Misses Bettie Kennedy, Totsie Berry and Cathereene McGrail.

Mr and Mrs. R. E. Stapleton have returned from near Mart where they spent several days the past week on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Lela Culp. Mr. Stapleton had the unusual experience of having his Ford stuck in the mud near Prairie Hill where six mules were required in pulling it out. He states the roads were in fairly good condition, considering the rain of the month, Saturday when they returned.

Drapery

Mr. J. D. Hancock of the Drapery Department of R. T. Dennis and Company of Waco will be with us Monday, March 5th, and will have on display at our store a complete line of Draperies and Carpets.

We shall be glad to have any one interested to call and see the line or if you prefer we shall be glad to have him call at your residence.

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POSITIONS WANTED—B

EXPERIENCED PUMPER—Can handle gas, oil or steam engine, can furnish best of references. Address Box 101, care News, Mexia, Texas. 1d3B

LOST AND FOUND—D.

LOST—Female Boston bull dog, white blaze in face, Mahogony brindle, bob tail. Return to Dr. Stucki, and receive reward. Phone 419 and 609-W. 1d3D

FOUND—One good hog. Owner may obtain by describing animal and paying for this ad. J. H. Moss, on T. E. Sorey place, 3 miles out on Wortham pike. 4d3D

OIL PROPOSITIONS—G

PRODUCTION ROYALTIES—Will buy producing royalties in the Mexia field. Room 16 Farmers State Bank building or Box 736, Mexia, Texas. Zeno King. 2d30G

FOR SALE—J

FOR SALE OR RENT—One complete string of standard drilling tools. Everything in first class shape. Apply Box 9, Mexia Daily News. 27d1J

VICTROLA AND FIFTY late records and about 20 old selections for sale at a bargain. See U.H. Morgan, 312 North McKinney at 9:30 p. m. 28d4J

FOR SALE—Will sell furniture in 16 room hotel for half value and rent building cheap as I am leaving Mexia. R. C. Moore, Box 72, Mexia, Texas. 28d4J

FURNISHED ROOMS for rent, also two room house for sale. See Bert Capps, Palestine Garage, 311 East Palestine St. 1d3J

FOR SALE—Ford roadster, good rubber; $85 takes it. Many other bargains in used cars. See them today. Terms if desired. Oliver Auto Co., Phone 152. 1d3J

FOR SALE—Jersey milch cow. Young heifer calf, priced right. R. C. McCulbourh, 147 Liberty St. 2d3J

FOR SALE—Good clean pine saw dust. Phone 613, Luther's Quality Market, 217 West Main Street. 4d6J

FOR SALE—Ford touring car at a bargain. Apply at Glenn Hotel, North McKinney Street. 4d2J

HOUSES FOR RENT—K

FOR RENT—Five room house on S. Sherman St., close in. Phone 171 Day or 609-J after 6 o'clock in eve. 28d5K

ROOMS FURNISHED—L

FOR RENT—Nice front room, one block from town, suitable for one or two. Bath, hot and cold water. 410 Carthage St., Phone 85. Mrs. Jno. R. Corley. 1d3L

TWO AND THREE room furnished apartments. Lights, gas and water. Rent reasonable. Gates Apartments, 824 East Commerce St. 2d30L

FOR RENT—Three furnished rooms, two blocks from main part of town. Cement walks all way. Rent $27.50. Apply 503 East Carthage. 2d3L

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FOR RENT—Two nice clean comfortable two room apartments, close in. Rents cheaper than anything you will find in town. Also one berroom $4.00 per week. Modern Furnished Rooms, 404 East Milam St. 2d2L

RENT one close in housekeeping room $3.00 weekly. Nice two room apartment also. Three blocks North Post Office. Rusk street, West of Sherman at Tyrone Apartments. 2d3L

APRATMENT FOR RENT—Modern, the best for the best. Little Texas Apartments, 312 N. Sherman St. Phone 528. 4d7L

NOR RENT—Housekeeping apartments, all modern conveniences; gas, lights and water, 318 East Palestine 4d2L

ROOMS UNFURNISHED—M

FOR RENT—Furnished or unfurnished eleven room flat, close in. Phone 813. 27d5M

MISCELLANEOUS—P.

STORE FOR RENT—In Ross and Green Building, good for barber shop. Apply Mexia Chili Parlor. 28d3P

HEMSTITCHING done at Cottage Hotel, two blocks north of postoffice, right back of Little Texas hotel. Phone 147W. 25d7P

FAISER TAILORING CO.—Cleaning, pressing, alterations. Suits made to measure. Hats cleaned and blocked. Experience Dressmaker and Gent's Tailor Work called for and delivered. Phone 613, Luther's Quality Market, 217 West Main Street. 4d6J

GENTLEMEN AND LADIES call 557-J that wish to dispose of their clothes they can't use. We can sell good men's suits and ladies dresses and hats. Wardrobe Exchange, cler, press, hemstitch and dress making. Guaranteed. Wardrobe Exchange, 213 North McKinney St. Phone 557-J 4d7P

DRILLING RIGS, MACHINERY—T

ATTENTION—Drilling contractors. Want two good heavy rotaries complete. Send complete list to J. W. Sayles Supply Co., 816 Dan Waggoner Bldg., Fort Worth, Texas, or Harry Althaver, 214 Majestic Hotel, Mexia, Texas. 26d5T

WANT TO BUY—Any amount up to 20 miles of 2 inch, 3 inch or 4 inch line in the ground or already stacked. J. W. Sayles Supply Co., 816 Dan Waggoner Bldg., Fort Worth, Texas or Harry Althaver, room 214 Majestic Hotel, Mexia, Texas. 26d3T

SCHOOLS—V.

THE MEXIA BRANCH of the Sinclair Select Business School. Individual private instruction. Day and night classes. Mrs. Pearl Terrell, prin. 110 Spreng Building. 1d31V

Fortieth Year Of University To Be Observed

AUSTIN, Texas, March 3.—Commemorating the founding of the University of Texas forty years ago, the most pretentious celebration in the history of the institution is being planned for May 10-12. The entire student body and faculty will unite in the endeavor to present at that time one of the most elaborate series of entertainments ever attempted at the University, according to a statement of W. L. McGill of Corsicana, general manager of affairs.

Members of the Ex-Students' Association have been invited to hold their annual reunion on the dates of the Fortieth Anniversary Celebration in order that there may be an impressive home-coming of Texas Exes from all parts of the land. A prominent feature of the program will be a "Dad and Mother's Day," and a personal invitation will be extended to the parents of every student of the University to visit the institution and take part in the festivies.

It is pointed out in the announcement of the celebration that "not only is it fitting at this time for all the friends of the University to join together in commemorating the founding of the institution and reviewing it sglorious history for the past forty elars, but also to ceelbarte the coming of a new for Varsity, a day when the campus is 'unshackled' and modern building replace the wooden structures which have disgraced the institution for so long." This feature of the celebration is inspired by the passage of the University Permanent Improvement bill, which make sapproximately $3,000,000 available for new buildings.

Beginning on Thursday afternoon, May 10, and ending Saturday night May 12, a continuous program will be presented, according to the plans announced. A pageant with a cast of one thousand persons, depicting the evolution o fthe University and presenting the traditions and history of the institution since its foundation, is to be one of the outstanding events on the program. Other attractions will include a huge three-ring All-Varsity Circus; an Exposition, showing the work of the University and the valuable museums, relics, collections, and libraries; receptions and banquets; parades, balls and musical extravaganees; flying circuses, style shows, circus midway features; splendid ceremonies incident to the coronation of the Queen of Varsity, original stunts by ex-students, and innumerable other attractions.

President Robert E. Vinson has given his unqualified endorsement of the plan, and a large number of faculty and student committees are now at work on the details of the various events. The Board of Directors of the celebration consists of the following: Robert G .Bledsoe, Taylor, chairman; L. T. Bellmont, director of athletics; Miss Lloyd Martin, of San Antonio; A. B. Smith, of Rotan and E. D. Smith, of Longview. The faculty advisory committee consists of Professors Milton R. Gutsch, E. C. H. Bantel and C. E. Rowe.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Fascists in Mexico announce a membership of over 200,000. The national convention which was to have been held this month has been postponed for several months.

YOU ANSWER IT

Little Girl (as her mother overhauls her furs for the winter): "Mother, what did moths eat before Adam

FEW FOLKS HAVE GRAY HAIR NOW

Druggists Says Ladies Are Using Recipe of Sage Tea And Sulphur

Hair that loses its color and lustre, or when it fades, turns gray, dull and lifeless, is caused by lack of sulphur in the hair. Our grandmother made up a mixture of Sage Tea and Sulphur to keep her locks dark and beautiful, and thousands of women and men who value that even color, that beautiful mark shade of hair which is so attractive, use only this old-time recipe.

Nowadays we get this famous mixture improved of the addition of other ingredients by asking at any drug store for a bottle of "Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound," which darkens the hair so naturally, so evenly, that nobobdy can possibly tell it has been applied. You just dampen a sponge or soft brush with it and draw this through your hair, taking one small strand at a time. By morning the gray hair disappears; but what delights the ladies with Wyeth's Sage and Sulphur Compound is that' besides beautifully darkening the hair after a few applications, it also brings back the gloss and lustre and gives it an appearance of abundance. (adv)

SCOTLAND YARD NOW REAL VICTIM OF CRIMINALS

BY LYLE C. WILSON
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

LONDON.—Crookdom is continuing its fling at Scotland Yard.

The Chief of Police was poisoned while sitting in his own office.

The lost property room in Scotland Yard has been rifled in recent months.

General Sir Nevil Macready, when commissioner of police, had the pleasure of directing the hunt for the burglars of accessories from his car.

Hon. C. Bingham, a former director of criminal investigation, had his house looted while holding office.

Within the last two weeks a shop opposite famous old Bow street police station was robbed; an attempt was made to enter government office building adjoining Scotland Yard, and a quantity of property and royal decoration were pilfered from the home of a police inspector.

Final and crushing was the blow delivered at Superintendent Carlin, one of the mighty "Big Four."

When a dark and really mysterious crime needs solving, it is Superintendent Carlin and his three collaborators in the "Four" who do the trick.

Superintendent Calin has just been visited by one of the "Big Four" of second story men. The gifted burglar got away with all a man can transport in the space of three hours high pressure work.

No clues, no tracks nothing to hint to Superintendent Carlin where most of his portable household paraphenalia has gone.

Meantime the bars to the windows in the famous Yard are taking on a new significance. Formerly used to restrain the exit of criminals, the sturdy bars are now charged with the double duty of keeping the unarrested crooks out, as well as the arrested crooks in.

FIRST CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT IN THE RING

ATLANTA, Ga., March 3.—(United Press.)—The first hat into the political ring for the 1924 presidential nomination is a Georgian's.

On a "reform" platform, embodying two major planks—drastic enforcement of the Eighteenth amendment and elimination of the drug evil—Arthur M. Teague of Fairmount, Ga., has placed his name before the voters for the highest office of the United States.

Teague, who styles himself a "contractor, builder and educator of Fairmount, Barstow county, Georgia," declares he will run independent of any recognized political parties.

The desire to save the country "from the abyss towords which it is drifting rapidly," is the reason for his entrance into the national political arena, Teague says.

"I believe the nation is going to the dogs because of the lax manner in which the Eighteenth amendment is being enforced. The law is all right the fault is elsewhere.

"I really don't think we have prohibition. They're merely taken down the signs. There's a lot of drinking in my county and I know conditions are bad."

Teague will begin his active campaign within the next ninety days, he says, with a tour throughout several southern states. This completed he plans to stump the north and east.

GERMAN HOUSEMAIDS FLOCKING ABROAD

BERLIN.—German housemaids are leaving for foreign lands, high wages and "soft" living. The German working girls, underpaid and overworked, see the "promised land" of more money less work and a look about the world. They are going to all European countries, especially Rumania, Denmark, Switzerland, Holland and even to France.

In the last there months more than 9,000 young German girls passed thru the border city of Elten on their way to Holland. It is estimated that already 20,000 girls from Germany are employed as housemaids in Holland alone.

The result is chaos at home. The German house maid is very independent, having plenty of opportunities to find employment. Protected by laws against being discharged without a month's additional wages, maids have no fear of unemployment. And their work suffers accordingly.

MEXICO CITY Mexico—Americans will take a principal part in the hundredth celebration of the founding of Tampico which will be held April 8 to 15.

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No. 31—12:50 p. m.; Mexia to Dallas
Southbound
No. 18— 1:37 a. m.; Houston.
No. 16—11:45 a. m. San Antonio and Houston.
No. 38—11:35 p. m.; San Antonio and Austin.
No. 20—11:59 p. m.; Houston.
No. 32—10:00 a. m. Mexia.
No. 345—From Navasota; 3:45 p. m.
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No. 8—3:25 p. m.
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NOTICE OF GENERAL ELECTION STATE OF TEXAS,

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By virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Mexia, Texas, notice is hereby given that a general election will be held on the 3rd day of April, A. D., 1923, in and within the boundaries of the City of Mexia, Texas, at the City Hall in said City, for the purpose of electing a Mayor and two Commissioners for said City, each of whom shall hold office for a term of two years and until their successors have been elected and qualified.

And W. O. Miller is hereby appointed presiding officer of said election, and he shall select two Judges and two Clerks to assist him in holding the same; and said election shall be held in the manner prescribed by law for holding other elections.

In testimony whereof witness my official signature this the 1st day of March, A. D., 1923.

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WHAT THE 67th CONGRESS DID AND FAILED TO DO

Last Minute Jam to Get Through Pet Measures—Enactment of Budget System

Held Many Sessions

WASHINGTON, March, 3.—In the 67th congress, the house held four sessions, the senate five. They ran as follows:

Senate met March 4, 1921 to March 15, to confirm President Harding's cabinet.

Congress met in first session April 11, adjourned November 23.

Socon session began December 5, ended September 22, 1922.

Third session November 20 to December 4, 1922.

Fourth and final session December 4, 1922 to March 4, 1923.

BY LAWRENCE MARTIN
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The 67th Congress today wrote the final chapter of it slegislative record.

As the time for final adjournment drew near members of both houses were making frantic efforts to squeeze some pet bill through the last minute jam. Most of them were doomed.

As the administration came into power on an economy platform, the enactment of the budget system of making government appropriations generally regarded by Republicans as their next greatest achievement.

The soldier bonus bill also passed both houses, but President Harding vetoed it, on the ground that it made no porvision fo rraising money to pay the bonus, and that the treasury was not able to find the money. Though the pro-bonus group was strong in congress, due partly to the immluence of the 1922 election, insufficient votes to override the veto were available and the bonus failed.

The coal strike of 1922 caused enactment of two measures, one aimed at prevention of future strikes, the other to insure equitable distribution of fuel resources. The first was the creation by the Borah bill of a fact-finding fue lcommission, to delve into the coal industry and bring up for congress facts upon which an industrial code for the coal industry might be based. The work of this commission is in process of performance, and a partial report has been made to President Harding. The other measure revived to a degree federal fuel control, by appointment o fa federal fuel distributor, in cahrge of coal distribution.

Billions Spent

Three sets of appropriation bills were passed, involving billions of dollars for the upkeep of the government. These bill, the last of which were finally enacted in the closing days of the present session, will carry the government until June 30, 1924.

In the closing days of the Congress there was also enacted a bill both domestic and international in its implications. This was the measure approving the refunding of the British war debt of $1,600,000,000.

Because of a filibuster in the senate which will go down as one of the most remarkable in senatorial annals, the "pet measure" of the administration, the merchant marine or ship subsidy bill, failed of passage. The House passed it, but though administration leaders tried in every way to get it through the senate a gorup of democrats and farm bloc republicans obstructed it to death.

Most filibusters in congress tie up the whole legislative program and prevent any business being done for the time being. The ship subsidy filibuster, however, did not delay any appropriation bills or seriously interfere with other legislation. It was conducted less by means of protracted speeches than by forcing other measures into places of precedence over the subsidy. President Harding pleaded hard for the subsidy, but his efforts were unavailing.

A senate filibuter also killed the Dyer anti-lynching bill. This filbuster was short but most cleverly handled. It evidenced considerable poker ability on the part of those responsible. They bluffed the senate into the belief that insistence on the Dyer bill would spell disaster, and the sponsers of the bill laid down their hands.

International Affairs

Having come into power in part, as they felt, on the issue of keeping the country out of the league of nations, the republicans negotiated a separate peace treaty with Germany. This the senate artified early in the present congress. It also ended the long dispute with Colombia growing out of the acquisition of land for the Panama cana, by ratifying a treaty providing for payment of $25,000,000 to Colombia.

In passing the naval appropriation bill in the first session, the senate added an amendment by Senator Borah requesting President Harding to call an international conference on the limitation of armaments. This conference, now historic, resulted in several treaties, which were submitted to the senate on February 10, 1922, by President Harding. They weer ratified without much difficulty, the four power Pacific treaty and the five power naval limitation treaty causing the greatest discussion. The last of the treaties was disposed of on March 30, 1922.

The Newberry Case

This congress also saw the official [illegible] and the passing of Senator Truman H. Newberry of Michigan. For three years following his election in 1918, Newberry had been the central figure, in courts in the senate, of a unique eelction contest, growing out o fthe expenditure of money in his campaign for nomination and election. The U. S. supreme court had set aside his conviction, on the gorund that the law unde rwhich he was convicted was unconstitutional. A senate committee investigated, and finally the majority reported that Newberry was blameless and clearly entitled to his seat. A democratic minority held a contrary view, and the senate, after a protracted fight, seated Newberry in January, 1922.

The case was made an issue in the 1922 election, and many senators felt its effects. Soon after the results of that election became apparent, Nowberry, on November 19, 1922, resigned and went to Europe.

Death lnl dits hand heavily upon the 67th congress. Four senators and more than a score of House members died. The senators were Knox, Penrose and Crow of Pennsylvania and Watson of Georgia. The House members included James R. Mann of Illinois, for many years a conspilcous figure in the Houes.

In the next congress, fifteen senators who sat today in the upper house, and a large number of both house members will no longer be upon the rolls, having been defeated in the 1922 elections, or having voluntarily retured.

INSURE WORLD AGAINST RESULTS GREAT DISASTER

BY HENRY WOOD
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

GENEVA.—With the meeting here in August of the eleventh International Red Cross conference, to be followed in September by the fourth annual assembly of the League of Nations, definite decision will be taken on launching a sort of international mutual insurance against adverse acts of the divine providence.

Briefly there is propoesd an international assistance in the case of peoples striken with great natural calamities such as famine, earthquake, tidal waves, cyclones, fires drougths, typhoons, volcanic eruptions and similar disasters.

In the good old days when to was generally believed that such calamities were visited by a Divine Providence on peoples because of their evil ways, othe rnations might have hesitated about getting themselves in bad with the said Divine Providence by interfering with its punishments, but in these days of international collaboration, the above project presents the last word in the realm of international relief.

The project which originated with Senator Ciraolo, president of the Italian Red Cross, has now been formally presented not only to the international conference at Genoa last spring, but also to the International Red Cross Society and the League of Nations. It now depends on the latter two to decide whether it shall be translated into reality.

Draw Up New Treaty

In the event of an affirmative decision a new international convention and treaty will probably be drawn up under the auspices o fthe League of Nations and submitted to all the nations of the world for the signatures and artifications of those who wish to join this new deveolpment of international co-operation. The actual carrying out of mutual, international relief pledged would be entrusted to the Red Cross.

As a matter of fact, backers of the project point out that the various national Red Cross organizations the world over have been extending this relief of their own iniative for a great many years. It is now merely proposed to co-ordinate, systematizo and render obligatory this sort of insurance.

Since the project for pleged international relief was first broached a year ago,, the world has suffered several more of tehse calamities such as the famine and epidemics in Russia; the earthquake in Chili; the burning of Smyrna, the flight of the near-east refugees in which the various Red Cross societies have had to intervene of thei rown voulntary initiative.

No effort is made to conceal the fact that in accepting the obligations of such a treaty many nations great relief with a very small likelihood that they would ever get anything in return. England for example has gone fo rcenturies without any great natural calamities while other countries like Italy have a perpetual plethora of them.

JAPANESE ALL YEARN TO PAY U. S. A VISIT

BY CLARENCE DU BOSE
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

TOKYO.—There is only one man in Japan who doesn't confidently entertain an ambition of some day visiting America.

That one is Hirohito, crown prince, regent acting emperor of Japan, who, when his sick father dies, will become emperor.

Hirohito wants to visit the United States—just as every single one of his subjects does—but he knows that he can never do it. That is the penalty of being an Acting Emperor and and Emperor-to-be—one must stay on the job at home.

He had intended to visit America, and the prospect of that trip had been one of his fondest dreams. After his trip to Europe and England a couple of years ago—the first foreign trip ever made by a Japanese Crown Prince—he had expected to remain in Japan a while and then make the trip of trips, his eagerly anticipated tour of America. But meanwhile the health of his father, the Emperor, became much worse, and Hirohito was made regent. He will continue to be regent until the death of his father makes him Emperor. And neither the regent nor the Emperor can leave Japan. Hirohito can never see the land he has longed all his life to visit—still longs to visit, however impossible the hope may be.

The crown prince regent said as much to American Ambassador Charles B. Warren, in their farewell talk at the imperial palace when Warren was leaving for home. He talked for several hours with Warren. With frank wistfulness he confessed the one drawback of being Emperor of Japan—that of sightseeing trips to the United States.

But no other person in Japan will admit the impossibility of his visiting America some wonderful day. You may ask anybody in the empire, from the poorest coolie to the richest nobleman, the question, "Have you been to America?" and the reply will never be an unqualified "no." The answer will be "Yest,"—or it will be: "Not yet!"

NEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Legislatures or governors of eighteen states in the United States have taken separate action urging the state department in Washington to rec[illegible] Obregon government.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Mexi[illegible] listening in on the United States means of the radio. Many receiving sets are being installed and concerts are heard daily from Dallas, Fort Worth, St. Louis, Atlanta and Kansas City. Dances are being held with the music from the "Night Hawks" of the Kansas City Star.

OUR WORD

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Committees Report $225,000 Raised for Mills

HELP MEXIA GROW

The industrial and financial interests of the nation admit and concede that the cotton spinning industry is drifting from the North, where it was originally established a hundred years ago, to the South, where the cotton is grown.

This fact is conceded even by New England herself—the governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, Mass., the very center of the textile industry of the world, stated in a press dispatch recently that this was true, and rightfully and logically so.

The reason for this shift have been explained in this and othe rnewspapers They include, among other conditions, the fact that freight rates on raw cotton north and finished products south have more than doubled during the past few years; state and national labor regulations have robbed New England of her one and only advantage in the textile industry, the parctice of working women and children long hours at starvation wages; the solving of the fuel problem in the south by the discovery of immense lignite beds, of natural gas and petroleum, and the perfection of modern engines to convert these Texas fuels into the cheapest kind of power: the increase in the population of the southern states to a point where industrial employment is needed to support this increase the discovery that, due to the mild winters, laboring people, factory employes, can live much cheaper and more comfortable in the South than in the North—all these and other reasons contribute to the shifting of the cotton textile industry from the north to the south.

This change started in the southeastern states several years ago. The Carolinas, for instance, already operate hundreds of cotton mills, while Georgia and Alabama are increasing their wealth, population and resources tremendously by the building of cotton mills, until today there are approximately twelve hundred cotton mills of all types located and thriving in the southern states.

But only seventeen of these are located in Texas, the state that has the most cheap fuel, the mildest climate, and teh most room for expansion of any state in the south or the nation. And, in addition, Texas produces two or three times the amount of cotton of any state in the nation—approximately one-fourth of the cotton produced in the world is grown in Texas.

South Carlina, with her small area and limited cotton production, now has some three hundred cotton mills. On the same basis, taking all advantages into consideration, Texas should have and can support a thousand such mills. And she will doubtless have them some day. Houston, Waco, Fort Worth, Breckenridge, Sweetwater and many other Texas cities are building cotton mills.

Limestone County citizens today face an opportunity such as is presented to no other locality in Texas today. Opportunities and responsibilities travel hand in hand, and while other communities in Texas aer merely considering cotton mills, Mexia should be building them. For the money is here available now. It is seeking investment. It is piling up in Mexia financial institutions daily, whereas other localities have not been so abundantly blessed with present sinews necessary to construct great industrial enterprises. While other communities may veil wonder where the money is coming from, Mexia has to concern herself about where the money is going to be invested to bring richer rewards in the future. The cotton mill project meets the situation. It solves the need. The value of Mexia's oil fields is going to be determined in the number of cotton mills and permanent industries built in the path of their wonderful development.

Limestone County is a part of the nation's greatest cotton producing state and should be the center of the textile industry just as it is the center of activities in oil. If the cotton mill industry is to shift from the North to the section where the cotton is grown, as all concede it will, then a Texas should be the greatest cotton mill section in the world—and Limestone county is a prominent part of the greatest cotton producing area on the globe.

Let's build that Cotton Mill now.

HERB JACOBS HOME

Herb Jacobs of the firm of Harris & Jacobs has just returned from a 30 day trip back to his old home in Cincinnati, where one has been visiting his mother. While away, he visited New Orleans and Birmingham. He reports that if all the cities visited, much optimism prevails in

CONGRESS TO BE IN SESSION AT NOON TODAY

By LAWRENCE MARTIN
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, March 3.—With clatter and bang that has become habitual with expiring Congresses, the Sixty-Seventh Congress was today noisily working its way to the finish. There was no reason except the constitutional limitation why Congress could not have met at 11 o'clock today and adjourned at noon. Its work was virtually done.

Nevertheless, a tremendous show of energy was being made in both houses. For the first time in years, the ending of Congress found the decks clear of major legislation. Only two bills of importance were left today to be acted on—the conference reports on farm credits and the third deficiency bill. The log jam was cleared away when the Senate's filibuster against ship subsidy ended, and since then many bills have slipped quietly down smooth waters, into a heaven.

Many members seemed a bit bored with the undramatic death of the present Congress. Some already have gone home, not caring to wait for the final curtain.

Many small bills still bobbed today on the surface of the legislative waters while congressional lumberjacks did their best to pole them into positions where they would be built into the "raft of legislation," which will make up teh record of this congress.

"If we can not have drama with our adjournment, let us have a few helpful little bills that will be duly appreciated back home," remarked Pat Harrison, facetiously commonting on the last minute ruch to get private and local measures through.

"This is the time you want to watch for snakes," warned a wise old Senate attache as he fingered a thick pile of bills, all of which had passed in recent days without anybody except their authors knowing what was in them. "Snakes" is congressional idiom for doubtful legislation.

Party leaders arranging today for the final hours, found it would be necessary to kill some time. Two or three bills that have small chance of passage will be thrown into the breach to fill up the gaps and keep out some of the importunate ones whose bills have not found favor.

Family of Four Killed When Train Hits Auto

SNYDER, Texas, March 3.—A family of four was wiped out near here late yesterday when a Santa Fe special train struck a small touring car at a grade crossing.

Ben Whitehead, farmer, living near here, his wife and two children—a daughter, 5, and a son, 17—were almost instantly killed.

The train was bearing hundreds of excursionists from the West Texas Jubilee at Sweetwater. It was believed Whitehead saw the train, but misjudged its speed in relation to his own, and thought that he could beat it across.

The car, which was demolished, and the bodies of Whitehead and his son were carried by the pilot of the locomotive until the train came to a stop. The others were thrown clear. The bodies were brought here.

MEXIA OIL MEN TO SMACKOVER

Chief Scout Tom B. Haines of the Humphreys Oil Co. leaves tomorrow for a ten day's trip to the Smackover field, where the big Mexia Company owns quite a large acreage and where extensive developments will likely be made in the near future by the Humphreys Oil Co., in view of the encouraging trend of production there.

MASONS, NOTICE

Local Masons are looking for[illegible] to Tuesday night, March 8, when [illegible] degree team from Dallas will be here to put on work here. Further reports will be carried in succeeding

Mexia Streets Subject Up Tuesday Night

Since the publication of an article on the condition of the streets of Mexia several reservations for the meeting Tuesday night, March 6th, have been phoned into the office. This meeting is again brought to the attention of the membership of the Chamber of Commerce and there is little doubt that practically every citizen is interested in the subject, but it is very hard to induce people to stop just long enough to phone the Chamber of Commerce office to reserve a place for them. This appeal is again made to the membership to let the office know if they want to attend. The last meeting of the membership was one of the best meetings ever held in Mexia. There will be no boquet throwing or long winded oratory at this meeting if the committee can help it, of course some "four mile horse" may get strung out, but if he does, it won't be with the full consent of those responsible for arrangements.

The office of the Chamber of Commerce has a fairly definite idea of what ought to be done and herewith offers it "as a basis for discussion." Here it is: First and most important of all is, pave all the streets possible exactly as the work is now being done. There are many reasons why this is the best course possible. This pavement, while costing more, is much better, and the first cost will be practically the only cost for many years to come. But those streets which are not to be paved should never be left in their present condition. The proposal that the Chamber of Commerce has as a suggestion is that concrete curb and gutter be laid on practically every street in Mexia. But it should be laid on levels set by the City Engineer [illegible] level should conform with the [illegible] and grades of all the streets in [illegible] that as paving sentiment de[illegible] these grades should conform to [illegible]per level of the paving all over [illegible]y. These improvements should [illegible]ade in line with plans and specifications laid down by the engineering department of the city, so that they will not have to be torn up and changed as paving develops. The streets should be set thirty feet wide and the spoil dirt from the grading thrown back of the curb, thereby making the streets uniform in width and grade, and giving the residence section a beautiful park space between the property line and the curb in which to plant trees and lawn grass. When the streets are graded they should be surfaced with at least eight inches of gravel or crushed rock and a fund created for maintenance as chug holes appear. The money to make improvements of this kind might be derived from a bond issue to take care of the intersections and an assessment against the abutting property to take care of the streets.

It is a fallacy to ever expect any great amount of traffic to be satisfactorily taken care of on dirt streets without any surfacing. The peculiar soil of Mexia is such that during periods of portracted wet weather there is practically no bottom to it and automobiles, trucks and vehicles of all kinds keep on going deeper and deeper. This creates ruts, chug holes and mud holes; damages vehicles, strains teams; increases expenses of handling traffic of all kinds. Heavily loaded vehicles keep on going down and down, breaking gas, water and sewer pipe with its attendant expense of repair and aggravation of the an desirable condition.

In speaking of the meeting th[illegible] President and Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce appeal to the leading business m[illegible] to take some interest in this meetin[illegible] phone their reservations to the office of teh Chamber of Commerce.

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EYES OF TEXAS RINGS OUT AT BANQUET OF EXES

"The Eyes of Texas" spirit held sway for three hours Friday night when the "Texas-Exes" of Mexia gatheerd in the first annual session of festivity and fellowship ever held in Mexia and est a precdent for former students of the University of Mexia to follow in the years to come.

It was the first celebration of any character ever attempted here by exes from the big state institution. 31 were present at the tables, when Toast master Warren Dale calle dthe gathering to order, at the Hurdleston hotel, at 8:15 o'clock on the evening of March Second.

At the same hour, in many cities throughout the United States, Texas Exes assembled to renew their allegiance and loyalty to the University of Texas and to the great State whoes independence the day was the anniversary of.

John A. Lomax, well known to every man and woman who has attended the University in the past many years, of the Alumni organization and also of the Alcalde, was the campus representative at the festive board. He spoke in pleasing maner and his presence was made even more pleasant through the free for all questions asked, answers to which he gave out of the wealth of a wonderful memory that accounts for thousands of former Texas men and women.

Teh event was a most enjoyable affair and in future years, the having been opened, Texas Exes of Mexia and community will likely never miss an opportunity to observe March the Second with a fitting program.

Mrs. Sam Cox worked zealously, with other ladies. Friday in decorating the banquet hall and table, until when the gathering assembled, the guests were greeeted with a sight that at once aroused thei rold time fervor and loyalty for their Alma Mater. The colors, White and Gold, were used in artistic lovliness, streamers sweeping down from the ceiling and across the tables that were formed in a "T" shape.

Across the room at the head of the Tables, also in the University colors, appeared the sign "Texas Alumni Association."

Texas songs and yells were indulged in by those assemble[illegible] pleasant memories of Clark Fie[illegible] the old auditorium coming int[illegible] very visibly by those who [illegible] and were just Texas boys [illegible] again, —students in the gr[illegible]stitution that will soon[illegible]e its fortieth year of exis[illegible] l usefulness.

The following progra[illegible] carried out completely:

"One of innumerable [illegible]ies 1923 Banquet of Exes of Texas at Mexia.

'The benefits of education and of useful knowledge, generally diffused through a community, are essential to the preservation of a free government.'—Sam Houston.

Music.

Toastmaster: Warren Dale.

Introductions.

'The Eyes of Texas Are Upon You' by the Exes.

'Texas of Yesteryears,' Joseph H. Byers.

Solo, (of her own selection) Mrs. Martin Allday.

'News from the University,' John A. Lomax.

Yells—Songs—More Yells.

'Texas Tomorrow,' J. F. Johnson.

'Co-Eds Coneds, etc,' Everybody.

Menu.

Celpe Celery Olives
Fruit Cocktail in Orange Cups
Asparagus Tips Salad on Lettuce and Red Sauce
Turkey and Oyster Dressing
Potatoes in Mound with Peas
Apple Fritter
Derresrt
Neapolitan Ice Cream and Cake
Coffee

Mrs. Martin Allday sang "As They Go Streets," by Puvicini. Encored, she presented "The Spring Time." Both numbers were highly [illegible], as she rendered them in her [illegible] that has won fo[illegible] among Mexia's swee[illegible]ians.

Joseph H. Byers "Texas Yesterday" in a [illegible] close attention from [illegible]s, who did a little remini[illegible]nselves as he unfolded the [illegible] of life

phone the C[illegible]ber [illegible]merce, No. 81, between [illegible]ur[illegible]:00 a. m. and noon and 1:[illegible]. m.

Rotarians To Get Charter March The Eighth

Mexia Rotarians are looking forward to "big doin's" on Thursday, March 8th. District Governor John V. Singleton of Waxahachie will be the honor guest on that day, when he comes to formally present the charter of the local club. Rotarians from Corsicana, Waxahachie, Dallas and probably other Texas cities will be present and every one is looking forward to a eral big time. The Mexia club is next to the youngest club in Texas, Sherman having organized within the last two weeks, but it may be that Mexia will be the "baby club" represented at the Beaumont Conference March 19th, 20th and 21st and she wants to be "a great big baby."

Members of the Mexia club are taking a great interest in the work of the club and the members feel that the club has a bright future before it. One of the principal tenets of Rotary is the promotion of good fellowship and good will between its members and others with whom Rotarians come in contact, both socially and in a business way. The organization is built on the exalted idea of each Rotarian making his business not only profitable to himself, but servicable to the community. The Rotary motto "Service above self. He profits most who serves best" each Rotarian is expected to carry out this ideal in his contact with fellow Rotarians, but with all his fellows. The Rotary club stands for the same ideal in its fellowship with kindred organizations and all its activities have this ideal in mind.

Undertaker Is Now On Job With New Firm

Mr. Dyas Barry and wife arrived Thursday from Waco and are temporarly located at the home of J. I. Riddle. Mr. Barry is to be the manager of the Riddle-Barry Undertaking Company and is now in charge until their new building is completed at the corner of Commerce and Paris streets. The business will be handled in connection with the business of J. I. Riddle & Company as before. Construction on the new building will be started this week if the weather will permit.

Klan Subscribes $1,250 to Y. M. C. A.

On the list of subscribers to the Mexia Y. M. C. A. fund, it was noticed that the Mexia Ku Klux Klan, No. 47, had subscribed $1,250 to the new institution for Mexia.

It is also learned officially that the local Klan during the year just closed has dispensed around $2,000 in charity to cases in Mexia.

An official advertisement appears today, commanding all members to be present Monday night when a class will be initiated, according to the statement, two out of town speakers of prominence to be here for the occasion.

that should be followed by every Ex-Texas student—that of unselfish service.

Superintendent J. F. Johnson of the Mexia Public Schools told of "Texas Tomorrow," delivering a very able and forceful address, timely an din every way acceptable to the gathering.

Mr. Dale was a most pleasing toastmaster, showing himself to be an expert in the art of after dinner introduction.

A business session was held, following the banquet, at which A. Garland Adair was elected President of the Mexia, Texas Exes for 1923, succeeding Mr. Johnson who has been a very able president for the past two years. Mr. Sam Cox was elected Vice Preside[illegible] Mrs. J. F. Johnson, Secretary a[illegible] Miss Elsie Duenberg, Alcalde I[illegible] porter.

Meeting Monday Morning To Be Important In Move To Help Greater Mexia

About 75 or 80 Mexia business men assembled at the American Legion Hall at 3:00 p. m. Friday to have a "council of war" on the cotton bill proposition. The expression of various faces was one of intense enthusiasm on some and a quiet determination on others. J. K. Hughes reported that he had to leave on the 3:55 train and Jack Womack was elected Vice Chairman to act until Mr. Hughes returned. The propositions was discussed from various angles and the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce was instructed to wire the representative of the M. L. Cannon interests that Mexia would be ready by next Friday. This telegram was sent after the meeting.

It appeared at this meeting that about $225,000.00 had been raised and a meeting was called for the same place at 9:00 a. m. Monday morning when every man in Mexia who is interested in seeing Mexia get this mill is urged to be present. Don't stay away, if you want to see Mexia grow and prosper.

An old saying is "that the mill will never grind with the water that is past." And still another one that says that "opportunity, taken at its flood leads on to fortune."

Don't let anything but a providential cause keep you away from the meeting at the American Legion Hall Monday, morning at 9:00 a. m. Don't get confused on the time and place, but get it right and be there.

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HOUSE ENGROSSES EVOLUTION BILL

AUSTIN, March 3.—By a vote of 69 to 32 the House engrossed the Stroders bill prohibiting the teaching of evolution as it applies to the origin of life and species, in public schools or any of the institutions of learning in Texas supported in whole or in part by taxation.

CANDIDATE ANNOUNCES FOR SPEAKER

AUSTIN, March 3.—Representative T. K. Irwin of Dallas today announced his candidacy for speaker of the House of the 39th legislature. This is the first announcement made for this office.

HOPE ABANDONED FOR MISSING MEN

ARISTAT, W. Va., March 3.—Hope was abandoned today for four men still missing in the Pocahontas Coal mine from which six bodies were recovered following three tremendous explosions late yesterday. Rescue workers, returning to the surface at 8 a. m. to be replaced by the second shift, declared that the four missing miners are buried beneath masses of rock and slate which tumbled from the roof of the mine when the blasts occurred. Survivors of the disaster, twenty five of whom are in the hospital here, said today that three distinct explosions at depth of 3200 feet crumbled the shaft walls. Pent up coal dust is believed the cause of the explosions.

SENATE REJECTS HARDING'S PROPOSAL

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The Senate refused to consider American adhesion to a permanent Court of International Justice at this session. On motion by King to take up the resolution approving American membership, in conformity with President Harding's request, the Senate voted 48 to 24 against consideration.

CRACKSMEN BUSY AT DALLAS

DALLAS, March 3.—Cracksmen, using heavy sledgehammers, broke into the safe in the office of the Cocoa Cola Bottling company here last night and obtained more than $2800. They had gained entrance through a window.

$20,000 SILK STEAL

HACKENSACK, N. J., March 3.—John Kiss of Philadelphia was found tied to a tree beside Patterson plank road near Lodi, N. J., early today, and reported to police that bandits had held up a truck he was driving, forced him to descend, and driven off with silks valued at $20,000.

McNARY'S APPOINTMENT CONFIRMED

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The nomination of James G. McNary, southwestern banker, to be Comptroller of the Currency, was ordered to be favorably reported to the Senate today by the Banking and Currency Committee, and will be placed before the Senate in executive session this afternoon. If any serious effort is made to confirm McNary Senator Couzens of Michigan will hold up all business with filibuster against confirmation. Couzens has a six hours speech prepared in opposition to McNary.

MEXIA COMPANY CITED

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The Federal Trade Commission today cited the Roller Oil and Refining Company, incorporated at Mexia, charging false and misleading advertising in "sale and offering for sale of certain stock."

83 PRESENT AT SALESMAN'S MEETING

Meeting Wednesday called to order by L. V. Majors, president.

Blessing by Rev. T. C. Tew.

Subject, "Mexia as a Trade Center."

Jno. I. McElroy, Higdon-McElroy.

Z. Rochelle, insurance salesman.

Rube Storey, Central Texas Gro. Co.

Five Minute Speakers.

Ben Stollenwerck, Citizenship.

O. F. Watkins, A Poets Reverie.

First prize was won by Jno. I. Elroy, being a carton of 40 watt [illegible] given by Reeves Electric Co. [illegible]endance prize, won by Jno. R. [illegible], being one doen pencils given [illegible]k Wagner.

[illegible] and attendance, there being 83 present, largest previous meeting being 76.

Program for Feb. 7th, announced by chairman Pierson as follows:

Subject, Come Backs, "My own line." L. S. Patterson.

N. H. Pierce.

G. G. McBride.

Rev. R. C. McCollough.

Five Minute Speakers:

Judge G. A. Walters.

Rev. W. B. Andrews.

Music was furnished by Chas. L. Clover and T. A. Old, father of our club and was enjoyed very much.

HOUSTON.—"I'm dying, take me to a hospital," E. H. Davis, of Perry's Landing, Texas, told a taxi driver as he stepped from a train here last night. He died within five minutes after being treated. Death was due to natural causes, according to the inquest.

Mrs. R. C. West of Dallas visited [illegible] friends here the past week.

TOURISTS FIND CANADIAN SHRINES RICH IN HISTORIC VALUE

STE. ANNE DE BEAUPRE FROM THE HILLTOP
A FATHER OF THE CAPUCHIN MONASTERY AT OTTAWA, ONTARIO
NOTRE DAMES DES VICTOIRES — HUMBLE IN APPEARANCE BUT RICH IN HISTORY
RESTORED CHAPEL OF ST CHARLES AT GRAND PRE, NOVA SCOTIA

Travelers to Europe generally spend a good bit of their time visiting churches and shrines; those who travel to the Far East make it a point to see as many temples as time and route will permit. Yet, many of these same tourists are quite ignorant that Canada has many churches and shrines whose beginnings date from white man's advent on this continent.

The most widely known one is that of Ste. Anne de Beaupre in Quebec, celebrated since 1657 for its reputed miraculous cures. The main church which was burned last year is being rebuilt, the services being carried on during the interim in the chapels. To Ste. Anne's each summer vast pilgrimages wend their way and the tiny, hillside village overflows with throngs of reverent pilgrims, while booths for the sale of holy relics are set up all over the place. A visit to this shrine at any time will be fraught with interest, for the hourly services, the great gold figure of Ste. Anne and the holy relics are always in evidence. Ste. Anne's is easily reached from Quebec.

For years, Evangeline Land in Nova Scotia, has attracted many, especially the descendants of the Acadians who were banished from this lovely valley in 1775. The forge, church and a few primitive buildings mentioned in Longfellow's poem, still remain, and now the little stone church of St. Charles has been re-created in its original size and form by the Societe L'Assomption as a shrine to the memory of their ill-fated ancestors. Annual pilgrimages have been arranged and Grand Pre will soon become a Mecca for devout Catholics as well as an attraction for painters, poets and lovers of Evangeline.

One may scarcely travel a block in old Quebec without passing a church and each of them has an interesting history. One of the plainest is Notre Dame des Victoires in an out-of-the-way square. It was built in 1690 to celebrate the French victory over Phippa. It rests on the site of Champlain's little 'Abitation and under its floor sleep four early French governors.

At Tadousac still stands an old Jesuit chapel built in 1746 on the site of a church dating from 1615. Throughout eastern Canada are reminders of the cassocked soldiers of the Cross who builded so well in the new world.

The many churches of Montreal's east-end will repay visiting—they are rich in historical lore as well as in vestments, art and jewels. Everywhere are convents and monasteries whose nuns, monks and priests, gliding quietly through the public streets, lend a note of mystery and romance to the local atmosphere.

Tharp Pleased With Response Of The Public

By James Blair Harris

EL DORADO, Ark., March 3.—"I am indeed, highly gratified at the generous response the public is making to my initial offering of units in the Tharpe Smackover Syndicate," stated L. C. Tharpe, Trustee. "Not only has the public shown its preference for this issue by an unexpectedly heavy buying campaign, but my many friends in Arkansas and Texas are also rallying to me in great numbers. Right here in El Dorado and at Smackover, where I am best known, friends and acquaintances are purchasing liberally into the syndicate, in this fact is a wonderful source of encouragement to me. If the folks right here at home who know me and my properties, plank their good, hard money for units it is only because they know me well enough to understand that I always play the game absolutely on the level, and also that my properties must be among the choicest in the Smackover-El Dorado area in order to attract such a strong local following.

"While it is from five producing wells in the El Dorado field that we are able to pay our first cash dividend of 40 per cent and from the same source that we expect to pay other and larger dividends as the months roll around, it is from our Smackover operations that we expect to make our greatest profits, after all. Our 10 acre tract in 7-16-13 looks better than ever, now that the gerat Imperial Oil and Gas Company's No. 3 McClanahar, in the section adjoining our property, is reported to have increased its flow from 15,000 barrels to fully 50,000 barrels daily. Such wells as this and the splendid gusher recently completed near us by the Oil Operators Trust make this Smackover lease of ours look like a cool million dollars, at the least calculation. Operations are being carried forward with rapidity and within a very few weeks I hope to be able to announce to every unit holder that we have gone the Imperial Company one better, and have set a new high record for the field with a 60,000 barreler.

That Mr. Tharpe is fully justified in his optimistic outlook is readily apparent to anyone who will take the trouble to inspect the holdings of the Tharpe Smackover Syndicate. Perhaps there is no better kept lease in the entier Southwest than the Tharpe lease of 25 acres in the El Dorado East Field. Each of the five producing wells are kept in the best of condition and have settled down to a steady production that bids fair to endure for many years. The Smackover lease of this Syndicate is now an extremely valuable property and while only one well is being drilled at this time there is ample room for another well, which is understood will be drilled immediately after the completion of the first well. Naturally, the present strength of the crude oil market is the most favorable factor and Mr. Tharpe predicts that production in both the Smackover and El Dorado East Fields will advance at least a half dollar per barrel within the next thirty days. In view of the fact that Mr. Tharpe's past predictions as to the crude market have been fully vindicated, his present forecast is entitled to a lot of respect.

Mr. Tharpe comes of sturdy, pioneer stock. Born in Missouri he has never quite gotten over the "show me" attitude accredited to citizens of his home state. It is that faculty of looking carefully into every proposition and choosing the one that embodies the best possible features that has enabled Mr. Tharpe to start his Syndicate with such an important list of properties and to top that offering off with a spot cash dividend of 40 per cent, payable to al lunitholders of record, midnight March 10th.

THREE NATIONS AFTER ORIENTAL OIL FIELDS

BY CLARENCE DUBOSE
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

TOKYO.—Japanese, American and Russian interests trying to secure control of supposedly rich and undeveloped oil fields in Northern Saghalien.

Interest in this potential oil supply may influence Japan in a more liberal Russian policy, and cause a Russo-Japanees commercial agreement resulting ultimately in diplomatic recognition of the Moscow government.

The Sinclair Oil Corporation of America is supposed to have secured from Moscow an exclusive oil concession in Northern Saghalien. But it would be very simple for Moscow and Tokyo to reach an agreemnt whreby general Japanese encessions and commercial and development privileges would ofset the Sinclair concession.

If Saghalien is a rich in potential oil supply as is reported, it is certain authorities here believe, that Japan, which needs a nearby oil supply, will never permit, if she can prevent it, exclusive possession of such fields by foreign concerns.

Japanese Torops There

Japanese troops still occupy northern Saghalien, as security for Russian indemnity demanded for the massacre of Japanese troops at Nickolaivsk, during Japan's Serbian expedition. There are strong indications that Japan may voluntarily withdarw these troops, as she did thoes in Siberia, because of criticism both at home and abroad. But Japan will continue to insist upon economic privileges there. A high officia lof the Foreign Office said to the United Press:

Japan does not desire exclusive privileges or concessions in Saghalien, with regard to oil or anything else. But we cannot consent to anybody else having exclusive privileges or concessions, either. Our position is for an 'open door" in Saghalien. We want an even break with others, and we want others to have an even break with us, in developing oil and other natura lresources, and trade."

American oil scouts have been prospecting in Saghalien for several years. Since the country has been under military occupation it has been very difficult for foreigners to get into the interior—but the "oil hounds" made it and reported rich prospects.

THE FRAGILE SEX

Casey: "Kelly wants me to tell ye he couldn't be down to work today as the missis is sick."

Foreman: "An', what's after bein' the trouble with her?"

Casey: "Ah, the poor girl. She broke two fingers wallopin' Kelly."—Exchange.

STORE FOR RENT—Best location for any business. Ross & Green Bldg. Apply Chili House. 4d2K

RAIN OR SHINE

(Information furnished by A. W. Waddill, the radio man, 305 East Commerce St., Phone 563).

U. S. Weather Bureau's A. M. Forecast for March 3, 1923.

Mexia and Vicinity

Tonight and Sunday generally cloudy with unsettled weather with local rains, colder Sunday probably much colder at night.

Moderate to fresh variable winds shifting to northerly.

East Texas: Tonight and Sunday unsettled with showers, colder in interior Sunday.

West Texas: Tonight rain, colder except in southeast portion, Sunday fair, colder except in southwest portion.

Shippers Forecast

Protect shipments during the next 24 to 36 hours from temperatures as follows: North freezing, probably below freezing in north portion of the Texas Panhandle. West probably near freezing by Sunday morning.

Highway Weather Service

Highways were improving but owing to probable showers during the next 24 to 36 hours extended automobile trips in Texas and Oklahoma are not advisable.

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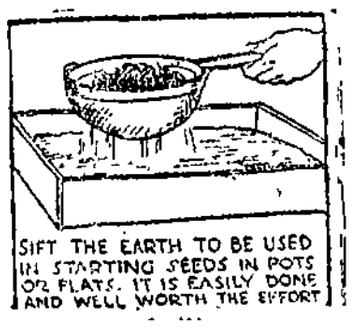
THE HOME GARDEN



Making a Good Seed Bed

A sponge's capacity to take up water is largely dependent upon the size of the holes in it. A coarse sponge with holes as wide in diameter as the finger and many of them, will not hold as much moisture in suspension as will a sponge of the same size with fine pores and smaller orifices.

The soil acts as a sponge, holding moisture for the plants, and the finer the soil the more readily it holds moisture and the more moisture will it contain. Finely sifted and close packed, the tiny rootlet of the seedling comes in contact with it, nourishment at once and starts rapid growth. If the soil is lumpy, with large interstices, a seed may send its first sprout out into space until it can reach more closely packed earth. The fine soil draws moisture from the bottom upward by capillary attraction, and the finer it is the more readily the moisture is drawn through the surface and the soil evenly moistened. In coarse, lumpy soil the water is not drawn up regularly from below.

For this reason it is necessary to take extra care to sift the soil for seed boxes, and for the top layer of the hotbed or cold frame. In order to prevent too rapid drying out, it is necessary to pack the fine soil firmly over rthe seed.

The coarse screenings from the soil are useful to spread over the bottom of the seed box to provide drainage. Over this the fine soil should be spread evenly and firmed down. The finer rthe soil and the moer fertile it is the better the germination and quicker the growt hof the little plants.

A great deal of seed is wasted, and many attempts at sowing seeds indoors prove failures at the very start because the soil is not properly prepared. Next to this is the failure to provide suitable drainage. The seed box must be built so that the soil will retain moisture, but will not remain water soaked and sour. Overwatering promotes a fungous disease known as "damping off" which causes the seedlings to rot off at the surface of the soil. This fungus often will ruin a box of seedlings before the gorwer knows what is happening. It can be obviated by providing drainage at the start.

SEED SOWING TECHNIQUE

There is quite a trick to sowing seed evenly and thinly, but it is easily done when you know how.

Professional gardeners who have large quantities of seed to sow usually use a wheel hoe with a seeder attachment or a seeder horse drawn. However, when the seed is to go in boxes or hotbeds or in small quantity, he sows it direct from the packet with a steady motion that drops the seeds evenly and not too thickly in the row made for it.

First of all, after prying the flap loose or cutting the edge of the packet, make a crease in one side of it so that when you hold the edges between the thumb and second finger, the forefinger being above it, the opening will be almost triangular, the edge of the packet being held firmly enough to force the crease apart so that it makes a trough down which the seed may flow.

Now tilt the packet gently and tap it with the forefinger, which will be free above it. With a little practice you can move along a row tapping the packet regularly and the seed will trickle out as fast and as thickly or as slowly and as thinly as you desire.

This is a much easier way than trying to take a pinch of seed between the thumb and forefinger and scatter it.

Where seed is very fine, mix two or three times its bulk of fine sand with it, and this will serve to distribute it thinly enough. With very fine seeds that pour out too rapidly some such device is necessary. The sand also fills the useful purpose of showing where the seed has been sown if you are broadcasting it and want an even distribution.

With very fine seed no soil covering should be used, but the seed should be pressed firmly into the soil with a brick, smooth block of wood or some simila rdevice. Mere contact with the soil is sufficient to promote germination if proper moisture is provided. Covering with soil is likely to smother the seedlings.

SERVICE AND THE GOODS

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—Folger's Coffee
—White Swan Coffee
—Crusade Coffee
—Strawberries
—Fresh Fruits
—Fresh Vegetables
—Jellies
—Jams
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Local News

J. L. Hearn is spending today in Dallas.

G. E. Mitchell spent Wednesday in Corsicana.

T. E. Hamilton from Corsicana spent Friday here.

W. J. Kelling was a Groesbeck visitor Saturday.

A. P. Grant was a Dalas visitor to the city this week.

A. J. McCarty of Taylor had business here this week.

P. F. Wallace of Jacksonville was a Mexia visitor Friday.

L. E Moore of Waco spent a few days here this week.

Dick Jackson of Corsicana was here on business Saturday.

E. R. Kennedy of Groesbeck was a Saturday visitor here.

Miss Annie Lenoir of Groesbeck is spending the day here.

H. W. Rose of Ft Worth was a Mexia visitor Friday.

A. M. Tabor was among the Dallas visitors here Saturday.

Mrs. W. E. McKinney is another on the "Flu" list this week.

Mrs. J. A. Tipple of Dallas was a local visitor this week.

C. A. Wheeler of Bonham was a Mexia visitor this week.

W. H. Allen of Groesbeck was a Mexia visitor this week.

J. W. Curry of Teague was a business visitor here Friday.

George Rose of Houston was a business visitor here Saturday.

L. E. Murray was a Wortham business visitor the past week.

Ed Maddox was a business visitor from Ennis here Saturday.

H. B Rich of Waxahachie was here the latter part of the week.

Hy Martin of Waxahachie was in the city on business Saturday.

Billie Gray of Madill has been spending the week here with friends.

F. F. Prengergast was a Mexia visitor from Dallas this week.

Sam Suravitz left on the 11:30 Saturday night for Groesbeck.

A. W. Pettigrew from Austin was here the latter part of the week.

R. P. Jersen of Dallas was a business visitor here the past week.

C. M. Church is to spend Monday at the Fat Stock Exposition in Ft. Worth.

R. H Vice of Denison was business visitor here the latter part of the week

G W Butler of Electra was shaking hands with friends here Friday.

Ross Brown of Waco was among visitors from that city here Friday.

J. W. Frazer of the Mexia Cotton Exchange is spending today in Dallas.

Miss Corinne Desenberg returned Saturday from a brief visit to Groesbeck.

W. R. Abell was a business visitor here the last few days of the week.

Mr and Mrs. W. Walter of Beaumont were in Mexia during the past week.

Miss Esta Pearl and Mary Hening was in the city Saturday from Groesbeck.

R. R. Kelley of Corsicana was a Mexia visitor the latter part of the week.

Mr. Rado Steel from Forrest-Glade paid the News a very pleasant visit Saturday.

Harry Holston of Houston was a business visitor here the latter part of the week.

George Perkins and J. D. Arrington are expected to return from Austin this morning.

James H. Trice of Tyler paid his usual business visit to this city during the week.

J. H. Dalton of Hillsboro was a local business visitor the latter part of the week here.

John Maddox and Conrad Maddox are improving rapidly, following their recent operations.

Mrs. W. B. Kyle of Normangee is spending the day here, the guest of the Majestic hotel.

...pending a few days.

Roy Akin has gone t... ...ile where he has accepted a position.

Mrs. Chas. Kennon will visit in Corsicana, the first part of the coming week.

B. L. Adams was among Corsicana citizens who had business here the week just closed.

Mrs. Oscar Denning has returned from Pittsburg where she attended the funeral of an aunt.

E. L. Smith returned on the noon train Saturday, following a week spent in Wichita Falls on business.

Mrs. E. L. Smith and son, E. L. Jr., are expected to return in a few days from a visit with relatives in Terrell.

Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church will meet Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the church.

Miss Velma Kirkpatrick of Whitewright is spending the week end with her sister, Mrs. R. E. Hickman of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hughes left Friday for Fort Worth where they will spend a few days at the Fat Stock Show.

Mrs. Clarence Best, and little daughter, Daphna, are quite sick at their home in the Grammar School Addition.

Mrs. J. W. Frazor of Dallas spent Friday and Saturday with her husband, J. W. Frazer of the Mexia Cotton Exchange.

The splendid little son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hatch is understood to be suffering severely, supposedly with the prevalent "Flu."

Miss Corinne Desenberg, Mrs. Monta Lawrence of Waco visiter Groesbeck between trains to see their aunt Mrs. Louis Scharff.

The News is pelased to report that Mrs. G. A. Lyell, who has been confined to her bed for the past week, is able to be up again.

John Lomax, of the University of Texas, left Saturday morning for Dallas where he was to spend a day or two before returning to Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Peyton, Mrs. Roy Akin, Mrs. Rush Hickman and Mrs. Jim Prickett went down to Teague Thursday afternoon to attend the funeral of Mrs. E. A. Cox.

Hub Northen of Atlanta, 1923 Manager of the Mexia Gushers, is spending the day in the city. With his coming, some real news items for Mexia fans is expected soon. He is registered at the Majestic.

Major N. P. Houx, who has borne up faithfully throughout the week, while editing the News in the absence of A. Garland Adair, left his desk Saturday afternoon to go to bed with a sure enough case of "Flu."

Mrs. T. B. Poindexter and Mrs. A. J. McKinney attended a luncheon at the home of Mrs. W. P. Harris. in Teague Thursday. They were accompanied to Teague by Mrs. Ben Huddleston, and Mrs. C. C. Hackney accompanied as far as Mexia.—Wortham Journal.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Ellington and daughters Misses Dosa and Beth have returned home after a three months sojourn in the Brownsville country. On account of the heavy rains and mud, they were forced to leave their car in San Antonio.

Commissioner John Kennedy of this precinct reported Saturday that he had several crews at work on the roads of the precinct. With the return of fair weather he expects to be very busy for quite a while building and improving the road system of the precinct.

"TAKE THAT MAN'S NAME!"

He was calling on the one and only girl.

"William," she said softly, expecting the usual answer, "William, dear, have you any idea what Heaven must be like?"

"Yes, darling. Until today I had never given the matter much thought. But now I have a clear idea of what Heaven must be like."

"Yes?" she murmured, snuggling closer. "Tell me what gave you this idea."

"Well, my angel, I was listening today to the recruiting officer describing life in the United States Marine Corps."—American Legion Weekly.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Automobile races are being staged here on a track recently constructed. Cars from the United States won the first race.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Mexican oil fields' exports during 1922 totaled 187,436,249.32 barerls.

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Who will perach his first sermons at the First Christian Church today. The public is cordially invited to worship with this congregation and give the new pastor a genuine happy welcome to Mexia and community.

First Christian Church.

Sabbath School at 9:15 a. m.

Preaching by the pastor, Rev. G. E. Reeves, at 11:00 a. m. and at 7:15 p. m.

Morning subject: "The Book Wonderful."

Evening Subject: "God's Delcaration of Freedom."

The public is cordially invited to all services.

Christian Science.

Christian Science services are held every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the K. of P. Hall, opposite Post Office.

Subject: "Christ Jesus."

Golden Text: Isaiah 0:2: The people that walked in darkness have seen a great ligth; they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.

Sunday School is at 9 o'clock.

Testimonial meeting is on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

First Methodist Church.

The Pastor will preach at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m., J. Sandford Smith, superintendent.

Epworth League 6:30 p. m., Chas. L. Lewis, president.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 7:30.

Central Presbyterian Church

One block North of Majestic Hotel.

Morning Hour, 11:00.

Evening Hour, 7:30.

Sunday School, 9:45.

Endeavor, 6:30.

You are cordially invited to all of these services, we want to give to you a hearty welcome, come and worship with us.

P. D. TUCKER, Pastor.

First Baptist Church.

Bonham and Carthage Streets.

9:45 a. m. Bible School.

11 a. m. Preaching by the Pastor. Subject: Caleb the Son of Jephunneh.

6:30 p. m. B. Y. P. U.

7:30 p. m. Preaching by the Pastor. Subject: The Little Whiles of Jesus

You are invited and will be given a cordial welcome to all the services.

C. T. TEW, Pastor.

Allison Bryce, who has been for the past year, pressman on The Mexia Daily News, left Friday for Oklahoma City where he has accepted a similar position in a newspaper publishing house there. Mr. Bryce was a genial and affable young man who made many friends here and these will regret to learn of his departure. His place is being filled by Mr. George Lee.

ROYAL-DUTCH COMPANY IS IN FORT BEND

ROSENBERG, Texas, March 3.—Recent beginning of actual operations by the Royal Dutch Shell company on their 4000 acre lease in the vicinity of Beasley, eight miles southwest of Rosenberg, is regarded as one of the most momentous and interesting developments in the history of Fort Bend county oil fields, since it is generally believed that the operations of this company will tend to focus the serious attention of the oil fraternity upon tehse fields and thus serve to materially stimulate and expedite their development.

Following an exhaustive topographical survey of their holdings and adjacent territory, a test location recently was made about one mile due south of Beasley on a 70 acre tract owned by C. W. Andrus of Rosenberg, who is understood to also control a large acreage contiguous to the leased area. A ortary test rig recently arrived at Beasley and the initial test, which will be known as Andrus No. 1, was spudded in Friday afternoon in the presence of several compayn officials. It is understood that this rig has a possible depth range of 1500 feet and that it will be employed in making an exhaustive test of the formations of the entire holdings of the company, with the possibility that encouraging may be obtained in some instances by means of these tests.

The Humphrey's test olcated one-fourth mile east of the postoffice at Needville, twelve miles south of Rosenberg, is temporarily shut down at 2500 feet pending the arrival of a shipment of drill stem which is expected daily. It is reported that favorable indications in the form of a lime rock formation were encountered in this test between 2300 and 2500 feet.

The setting of 1582 feet of 8 inch casing recently was completed at Booth No. 1 and officials have announced their intention to begin pulling the drill stem Monday, with a view to cleaning out the well and making a thorough test of the oil sand which was entered several weeks ago at 1588 feet. Prospects for completing this are said to be very encouraging and next week's activities will be watched with much interest.

Recent rainy weather has delayed reports from other fields in this locality, but it is understood that all are making fair progress.

Christian Endeavor Program.

Leader, Mrs. Norman Could.

Subject: The Refuge.

Psalm, P. S. 91:1-16.

Song Service.

Prayer.

Scripture reading and leader's talk

Talks on the following:

What is meant by dwelling in God?

What is the secret place of the most high?

How should we learn to trust God?

How should the bible help to strengthen faith in God?

How can we make God our home?

Instrumental solo by Elise Gibson.

Some illustrations on the topic.

Special Music by Hazel Fielder.

All the young people of the town who do not go to such a society as this are invited to come. We are planning to do some real inspirational work in the coming weeks.

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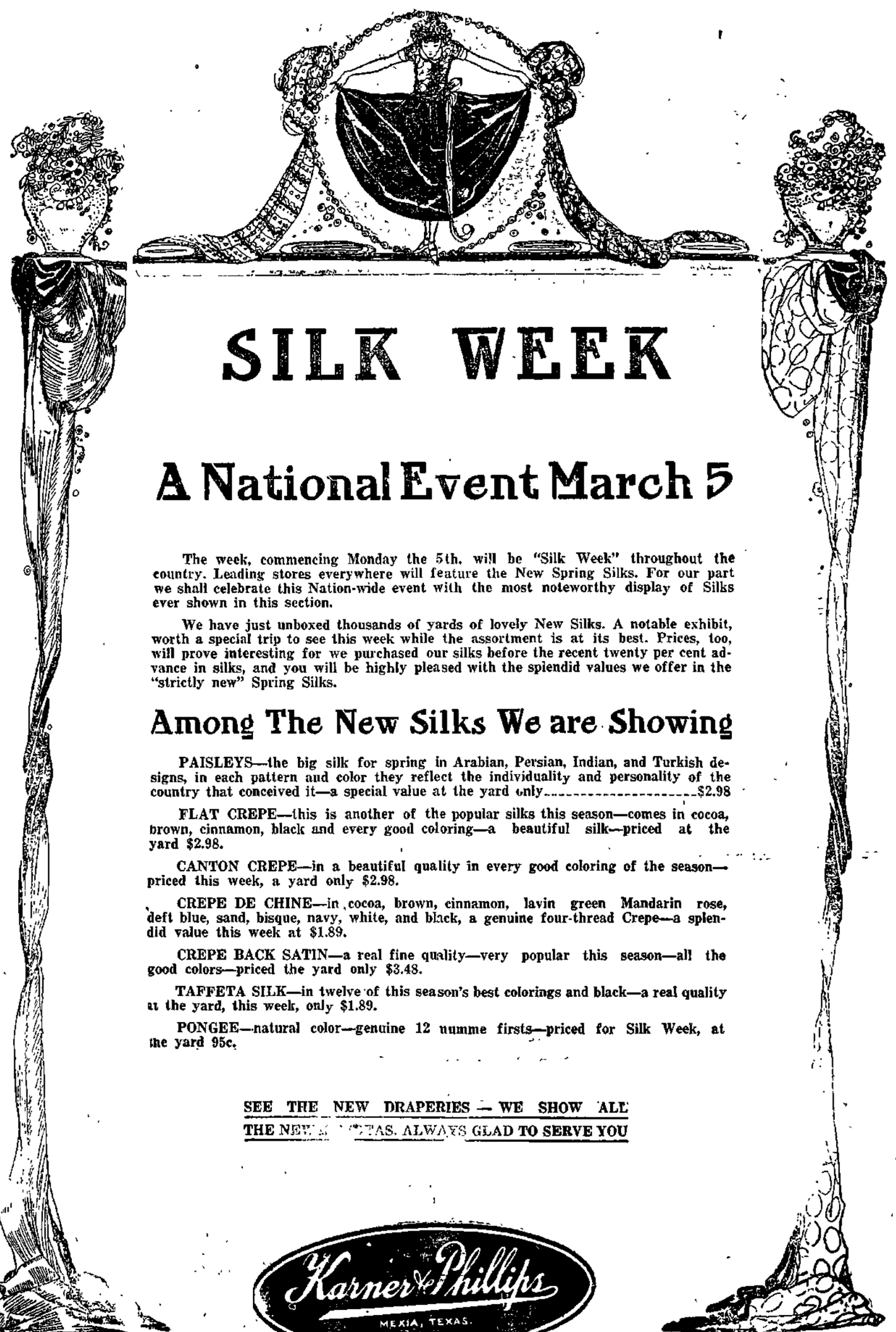

SILK WEEK

A National Event March 5

The week, commencing Monday the 5th, will be "Silk Week" throughout the country. Leading stores everywhere will feature the New Spring Silks. For our part we shall celebrate this Nation-wide event with the most noteworthy display of Silks ever shown in this section.

We have just unboxed thousands of yards of lovely New Silks. A notable exhibit, worth a special trip to see this week while the assortment is at its best. Prices, too, will prove interesting for we purchased our silks before the recent twenty per cent advance in silks, and you will be highly pleased with the splendid values we offer in the "strictly new" Spring Silks.

Among The New Silks We are Showing

PAISLEYS—the big silk for spring in Arabian, Persian, Indian, and Turkish designs, in each pattern and color they reflect the individuality and personality of the country that conceived it—a special value at the yard only.....$2.98

FLAT CREPE—this is another of the popular silks this season—comes in cocoa, brown, cinnamon, black and every good coloring—a beautiful silk—priced at the yard $2.98.

CANTON CREPE—in a beautiful quality in every good coloring of the season—priced this week, a yard only $2.98.

CREPE DE CHINE—in cocoa, brown, cinnamon, lavin green Mandarin rose, deft blue, sand, bisque, navy, white, and black, a genuine four-thread Crepe—a splendid value this week at $1.89.

CREPE BACK SATIN—a real fine quality—very popular this season—all the good colors—priced the yard only $3.48.

TAFFETA SILK—in twelve of this season's best colorings and black—a real quality at the yard, this week, only $1.89.

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INCREASED CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Headed by a justice of the New York Supreme Court, the town of Nyack, N. Y., has appointed a committee to arouse interest in church attendance. The first Sunday following the committee's work has shown great increase in the number of persons attending church in that town, and those backing the movement are, naturally, much gratified at the results they have achieved.

Following this first week in the direction of increased church attendance the committee plans a "follow up" campaign which is designed to keep alive the interest of the people in the churches which they have been persuaded to attend. And it is right here that we are afraid the committee is using faulty psychology.

Congregations that are kept in church through repeated urgings on the part of a church attendance committee are of small value either to the church or to the progress of religion. The man who goes to church in 1923 because his resistance is worn down by a tireless campaign of argument and pursuasion is worth no more to the institution he attends than was the man of a few centuries ago who went to church because failure to do so meant a period in stocks, or perhaps an interview with the executioner.

"Go-to-church campaigns" are good things. But they must be regarded in the same class with the initial advertising of a nation wide campaign. They serve to get the people within the walls of the house of worship just as the first advertisements of a campaign pursuade a large section of the public to buy the advertised goods. After that it is a matter of performance. The minister and the church which gives the congregation the things it needs and makes its service interesting and vital will hold its communicants. The minister and the church which fails to do this will never have a large membership—no matter if "Go-to-church campaigns" are a perpetual condition.

THE DOOR OF THE CHURCH IS ALWAYS OPEN

"What does the Lord thy God require of thee but to fear the Lord thy God, to walk in all His ways, and to love Him, and to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul. To keep the commandments of the Lord, and His Statutes, which I command thee this day, for thy good."—Deut. 10:12-13.

Have you ever stopped to think just what privileges and advantages are accorded us in our daily life and just what we are doing in return for all these benefits? Have you ever stopped to think that we may not be living up to our part of the contract? Divine Providence had defined certain things, which we must do in order to enjoy a happy and successful life and not interfere with the life of our fellow men. These principles are simple, but sometimes hard to follow without being bolstered up on many occasions. The principles of life have been revealed to us through the Bible and the church has been established as the means of helping us to follow the instructions which have been given. The process is simple and the results are certain.

The church is the one avenue through which the principles of Christianity are spread throughout the world, and through which we may be guided and helped in our travel through life.

AMERICAN HUSBANDS

American husbands aren't so bad after all, at least in critical eyes of French women. Of 20,000 votes cast in a recent Paris contest, 14,000 women voted that they would choose an American for a helpmate if it were merely a case of choosing.

The Italian husband, the vote revealed, is more popular by 200 than the Britain, and the Turk, he of the hundred wives, is the most unpopular, with eighteen votes. The fairer sex smiled only upon the American, the Italian and English husband beyond the four hundred mark.

So the much-abused American spouse has been vindicated. All the unkind things said about him fall on deaf ears so far as the French woman is concerned. Compared to the male of other countries, all things considered, he has been found by the women of France to measure up to the Gallic standard of matrimony. The war won a signal victory for the American husband.

"WOMAN'S EMANCIPATION"

The decision of the London Board of Trade that sex shall in the future be no bar to the issuance of a pilot's certificate is another indication of what is generally heralded by feminists as the "emancipation of women". According to the ruling women are eligible for certificates as "masters, mates or engineers".

One drawback to the ruling is the fact that there is to be no royal road to nautical knowledge for women. They must ship before the mast as do men apprentices and they are to be shown no favor by the skippers. It is unlikely that many women will avail themselves of the new privilege extended to them. At the same time it is an encouraging sign of progress in England that women are to be further placed on terms of equality with men and offered the same opportunities in whatever line of endeavor they seek to make their mark.

PSYCHOLOGY AND ACCIDENTS

An authority on psychology has told a Chicago audience that the bulk of automobile accidents is not so much due to criminal negligence as it is to wrong mental conceptions on the part of those to whom drivers' licenses have been granted. "Applied psychology," he says, "will do more in a minute to prevent automobile accidents than legislation and criminal prosecution will do in an hour."

For the accuracy of this deduction we cannot vouch. The appalling increase in the number of automobile disasters, however, is convincing evidence that it is not adequately cared for by existing laws. Reform is needed, none can deny, and if the imposition of a psychological test will bring about the desired improvement we earnestly recommend it to the consideration of legislators in the various states.

Isadora Duncan danced her way into the United States but she seems to have talked her way out. Secretary Davis is considering revoking her citizenship because of her radical utterances.

Letters from People

"Mistake Corrected on Shiloh Community

The item appearing in the News several days ago, concerning a man being arrested in Shiloh with mash in his possesison for the purpose of making whiskey, was an error. Will greatly appreciate a correction made through your paper in justice to our community, as it is an orderly and well conducted for from "No Man's Land."

The mash was captured in an adjoining district.

"WHILE OTHERS SLEEP"

OWEN FRIEND WATKINS

THE PLOWSHAES OF TIME

How oft we brood in deep and pensive thought
The sad and melancholy scenes to view
On life's dim road, where toil and pain are wrought
Upon the brow of man, as me and you:
The furrows deep are cut in wrinkled hue
To tell of hard fought battles they have won
When some grim fate their willing hands subdue
And blights the hopes of splendid task well done:
Or stays the sting of death for loved ones gone.

Perhaps at dawn of life, was laid to rest
His kind and anxious father's helpful lead
Or drawn by death from mother's tender breast
And rob'd of guiding hands for childish need:
And thus in youth was forced to earn his meed
Deprived of parent boast to guide his way
And spur him on to some alluring deed
But spent his boyhood strength in slow decay:
While other children spent the golden day.

He waged his all that years had took to save
On turn of fortune's wheel, or magic wand,
To drain his cup of grief when lottery gave
The age-old blank in luckless game to stand:
Relentless fate has left it's wrinkled hand
Prest down upon his brow the care-worn mark
His hopes repressed by fortune's sabled brand
No faith to fan to life the smothered spark:
For him this smiling land is cold and dark.

The heart that sung in sweet and gleeful gust
Now chants its doleful dirge of faithless day
Disdainful lips are curled in deep distrust
Some false and fickle love their eyes betray:
No tears are shed for human grief's allay
Nor ears can hear the wail of pain or fear
Of them that love deceived, and sad dismay
Left on their brow its cold and haughty sneer:
That day constrains the heart of ardent cheer.

One sunkissed day when hills were all in bloom
With butter-cups and daisies tinted beam
He linked his fervent soul, as bride and groom
With that sweet girlish form of arduous dream;
No mortal sway could cloud the happy gleam
In sweeet accord they labored side by side
And raptured hearts forgot the cold, cold stream
Of plague and death, and then she droop'd and died:
Since that sad day he's drifted with the tide

Yet young in years, the wan and haggard look
Reveals the hectic flush of passion's flame
For the fleet-foot chase of virtue's path forsook
To tread the scarlet trail by unknown name:
But silks and furs can never hide the shame
Nor jeweled hands conceal the social gloom
Cast on the brow of lust, but wrath and blame
Must be the fate, to seal her fatal doom:
And chill her prudent smile and childish bloom.

The deep set scowl that brands the pervert face
With sin's unerring marks to tell the tale
Of midnight brawls or luxury's fond embrace
Or passion's unsubdued on scarlet trail;
Now reaps the tares sewn in the stormy gale
As prime of life was spent in sensual care
And veinal realms in life's sequestered vale
Forbid their joy and bliss with him to share:
His soul is left in darkness and despair.

Those wrinkled brows our reverence command
In care-worn marks life's dreary ways are told
By lines that trace the brow and leave the brand
Of lust, distress, deceit or shame there scroll'd;
They may reveal that some are growing old
Or spent their leisure hours in studious lore
That calmly knits the brow and makes the mold
For ripe old age, or sketch for wisdom's store:
Those wrinkled smiles and brows we all adore.

CONGRESSMAN HARDY ON CONDITIONS NOW AND THIRTY YEARS AGO

Fairfield Recorder

Washington, D. C., Feb. 24, 1923.

To the Fairfield Recorder,

In your issue of February 3rd, I think it was, I noted an item saying that the legislature was about to pass a bill making Freestone and Limestone Counties each separate Judicial Districts and as I remember it Freestone was to have a possible eight months court annually. I may not remember the length of the court correctly, but it was at least amazing to me.

In the same issue you published a column from an old Recorder of thirty years ago, which gave the names of all the grand jurors sworn in for the February term, 1893. Mr. W. C. W. Day was foreman and all the names were familiar, and they were all sterling citizens of that day.

Your issue of Feb. 10, 1923, has just reached me, I see in that also a column of local items which appeared in the Recorder thirty years ago, that would be about Feb. 10, 1893. Among the items were this:

"The Grand Jury adjourned last Tuesday after a session of eight days. It found in all only ten bills, four for felonies and six for misdemeanors. A grand juryman remarked to us in our office, after adjournment, that in point of law and order, he believed the County was in the best condition he ever knew it to be in, and he has been a resident of the County for many years. That certainly speaks well for the County. Now, if the colored population would drink less whiskey, behave themselves better and not be all the time in Justice or County Court for fighting one another and cutting up generally at their "festivals" there would be less criminal business in our lower courts, and the County would get out of debt much sooner than otherwise."

I have noticed also in some of the papers from home that there is a move on foot to form a new County out of parts of Freestone, Limestone and Navarro, and so give the people more courts and County officers.

Moreover in order to enforce the law and preserve public and private morals some of our good citizens have deemed it necessary to form Ku Klux Klans.

Your editor remembers those good old days of thirty years ago, as well or perhaps so far as Freestone is concerned, better than I.

As I remember it in those good old days the Freestone term of District Court rarely occupied three weeks full, and in the three Counties there were lessthan thirty weeks of actual court. Much of the court's time those days was taken up in the trial of land boundaries and land titles and trials for hog stealing, cattle stealing and the like. I think very few of these classes of trials now occur. If Freestone or the old 13th Judicial District were unique in this increase of court we might look for an explanation in some peculiar local conditions but the same thing has happened all over Texas and in every other State. At the same time the number of federal courts has quadrupled, and the number of federal enforcement officers has likewise quadrupled. We have more schools, more churches, more laws to protect mothers and children, even industry is governed and regulated by bureaus and commissions exist for everything, we have prohibition and woman sufferage, the up-lifters are in the saddle in legislative, executive and judicial departments of the government, State and National.

What do you think is the cause of these strange facts?

Very truly,
Rufus Hardy.

THERE'S A REASON

Mr. Cheerup: "Look pleasant, man. The fellows who succeed are the ones who can smile."

Mr. Lowdown: "Sure! That's what makes 'em smile. What have the other guys got to smile about?"—Ex.

AND TRUTH PREVAILED

Canute gloomily watched his early British courtiers struggle with the impertinent waves.

"At least," he mused, "history will give me credit for teaching these creatures how to bathe."—Ex.

back to normal conditions. The Autrian paper money has been stabilized at approximately 69,000 crowns to the dollar, the normal value of a crown being nearly 20 cents.

Prices in Austria are now adjusting themselves to the new value of the crown and living no longer is abnormally cheap for foreigners. World levels have not quite been reached in prices, but the proportion is as five to seven. That is to say five dollars in Austria represents a purchasing power of about seven dollars in the world markets.

The League of Nations has completed arrangements for a loan to Austria and all reparations charges have been suspended for a number of years to come. Austria, consequently, has no impendiments on the road to complete recovery.

Austrian prices are higher than German prices and it costs more to live in Vienna than in Berlin. The Germans are importing goods from Austria and are selling them cheaper than the prices charged in Austria.

Vienna Coming Back.

Vienna is coming back to her former position as the financial centre of all southeastern Europe. The frequent references in the past to Vienna being a useless municipality for a country so small as the post-war Austria ner being porven to be false. On the contrary, Vienna is saving Austria.

All the machinery for international finance and international commerce exists in Vienna and in no other south east European capital. The Austrians have been able to capitalize this fact to their permanent advantage.

Much poverty still exists in Austria, but side by side with it is an extraordinary amount of industrial activity. The Austrians have shown great initiative, for instance, in electrifying their main railway that runs from Switzerland eastward. The electrification of the road is now more than half completed, the power being drawn from waterfalls which abound along the route.

The saving in coal, which Austria has to import, is enormous. But, more than that, the work disproves the charge that the Austrians have taken their defeat in the war lying down.

The inefficiency of the government telegraph and telephone system is now being recognized by the government and a movement is under way to abolish government ownership.

An English syndicate is perpared to make an offer to the state for taking over the telegraph and telephone lines, operatingthem more effectivelythan in the past, and paying a handsome royalty to the state in return.

The Austrians are paying scarcely any attention to international politics. The agitators who want a union with Germany are without heavers. Austria is giving all her time to economic rehabilitation .

The success of the Austrians in coming back is a sure indication of what is awaiting the rest of central Europe once the politicians cease their agitations and let economic law do its work.

Austria fell furthest away from normal of all the war's victims, and was most seriously mutilated by the peace treaty. Despite these handicaps Austria is rising to her feet and is pointing the way to the other fallen nations.

VIENNA IS STAGING A COMEBACK

By J. W. T. MASON
(Written for the United Press)

The most surprising econimoc development in Europe since the war is the pace with which Austria is coming

(THIS WAS WRITTEN BY A WOMAN)

Why I Use Advertising As My Buying Guide

In my capacity as housewife I am the general manager of a household. Upon me devolves the duty of making rather large purchases which leads into another duty—that of the economical expenditure of the household funds.

My husband reads very assiduously what he calls "trade papers." These papers pertain entirely to his business. He says he could not get along without them because they keep him posted on matters which come up in his business life every day.

In running my household I find that the newspapers and the magazines are my trade papers." The advertisements tell me nearly everything I wish to know about the purchases I should make. Like my husband who spends hours upon hours engrossed in his trade magazines so that he may conduct his business more successfully, I study with care the advertisements in the newspapers and the magazines which I have found out enable me to conduct my business, which is my household, more economically and successfully.

In doing my neighborhood buying I think that I am able to choose the store that gives me the greatest value for my money. My choice is always the one where I am sure to get the advertised goods I ask for and where I am not told: "Here is something else just as good." I buy advertised goods because experience has taught me I save money thereby.

It has been my observation that the store keeper who handles advertised articles sells more goods and it isn't hard for me to figure out that if the dealer wants to make only a fair profit he can sell me goods cheaper if he sells a great many goods than if he sells a smaller amount. Coincidently, I have noticed that dealers who do handle articles which are advertised seem to grow and expand.

I have often wondered if it isn't because the goods which they see on their own shelves remind them constantly of the forward-looking work which is being done by the manufacturer of those goods, thus setting an example for greater industry.

I know that if I want to buy a barrel of flour or a very large sack of flour I can buy it cheaper than I can buy a ten or twenty-five pound sack. My storekeeper can do the same thing in buying his merchandise. I have heard my husband talk often enough on the question of small profits and rapid turnovers to know that it isn't the dealer who makes the long profit that gets ahead but the one one who makes the small profit and turns his capital over and over. But this is not the only benefit I get in buying from a storekeeper who sells his customers goods which are advertised. The goods I buy are fresher and newer and I feel that because many of them have been advertised for years they are more dependable.

For how could people continue to buy them if they were not? And how could the manufacturers continue to advertise them if they did not buy?

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The Me-Hi News

By WILLIE WRIGHT

Literary Society

Thursday afternoon the Wakenaa Literary Society composed of the students of the Sophomore and Senior Classes met in the study hall of the High School building with its President, Marvin Bennett presiding. The program presented by the Public Speaking class was a drill in Parliamentary Law. Everyone enjoyed the program very much. The White Society will meet next Thursday afternoon.

Track Season Open.

Taking advantage of the sunshine and delightful climatic conditions for the past three days Coach Dawson has been working on his track material for the coming year. All of the equipment has not been put in place as yet because o fsome business matters that have to be attended to.

Seven or eight likely candidates have been out for positions in the field events but as Coach Dawson has not issued a call for track men up to date it is a rather tedious undertaking to name the probable representatives for M. H. S.

The Coach also puts a bug in our ear about a little trip to the big burg of Waco, headquarters for "By Heck" and Company, to participate in the Baylor Invitation Meet on the 7th and 8th of April. We'll be there full blast and a "ratin' to go."

The County Meet will be held in Groesbeck on the 31st of March. According to the Coach's way of thinking we will have only one opponent in the meet and that is Coolidge. If you all remember right they won the County Basket Ball championship from us by a small margin and we are sure gonna see that they don't beat us in this meet.

Baseball Season.

Coach Dawson expects to have quite a few pitchers out slinging the old pill up and down the "big alley" in about two weeks. A good many of the boys are already complaining of stiff fingers, sore thumbs or something of that kind that is associated with baseball. He also reports that he has several games scheduled up to date.

Spanish Club.

On Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 28th the students of the second year Spanish classes met in Mrs. Johnson's room to organize a Spanish Club. The name "La Romeria" was selected by popular vote and the following officers were elected:

Robert Storey, President.
W. B. Kendrick, Vice President.
Lucille Kinnison, Sec'y-Treas.
Ora Stephens, Parliamentarian.
Constitution and By-Laws Committee:
Chestelle Mullins.
Edeta Sharpe.
Gerald Upton.
Ora Stephens.
Program Committee:
Jack McKinney.
Jesse Mae Sherrer.
Marie Boyd.
Ora Clubb.

Sportorials.

Soph beat the Fish in a baseball game yesterday taking the big end of a 12 to 1 score. There were many boneheads pulled on both teams but the inability of the Fish in fielding lost the game for them.

Jesse McLendon says that the work in proper will start on about the 15th. He says that then he will have some place to go instead of the office.

Waco in April. We hope to have a good track team representing M. H. S. All of the High Schools in the state are eligible for the meet and things will be pretty hot I imagine but we'll be there, you bet.

Pa. "This tunnel we just passed through cost a million dollars."

Son. "It was an absolute waste as far as you are concerned."

Ship Captain (to one of the passengers leaning over ship's rail) "What's matter M'lad? Weak stomach?"

Passenger. "Doin' it.

Passenger. "Doon if I nin't throwing it as far as the rest of em!"

I called my love by radio,
In hopes that she would hear,
I asked her if she'd marry me
And signed it "Billy Dear."

Oh, sad is my predicament,—
indeed a sorry mess;
When I turned in my revolvers,
I heard fo.ty answers, "Yes!"

When

By WILLIE WRIGHT

When you're feeling kinda lonesome
And you're feeling sorta blue,
And the world seems to be
Gainst 'im and out with you.
Don you ever stop to think
That no good man's on the hill.
Stop and think lad, stop and think.

When the sky is dark and dreary
And the wind is biting cold;
Always do the right thing lad,
Show your mettle and be bold.
And when you want to show
The gang a thing or so
Be sure you know, and be sure you know.

And cast you from that room,
Just because you're unlucky
And just because you're poor
Bus never be blue
Over the things they do
So true, lad, be true.

When your heart seems to stop beating
And your throat is parched and dry,
And you get so down hearted
That you most break down and cry
Now don't give up but vow
That you'll keep right behind the plow
Do it now, lad, do it now.

When some folks harsh words
Kills ambitions little flower
Just say to yourself
There will be a brighter hour.
And when yo are wont to curse
Remember you're not the first
Stick through the worst, lad, through the worst.

So let them drink and be merry
For tomorrow they may pine
For he's not always the happiest
Who drinks the choicest wine.
Though all the while
You ga many a mile
Always smile, lad, always smile.

Nuts From The Banana Tree

They sat on the steps at midnight
Their lips were tightly pressed
The old man gave the signal
And the bulldog did the rest.

Tulsa Citizen Takes Stock In Cotton Mill Here

M. Lebow, a prominent citizen of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and a man interested in royalty holdings in the Mexia field, was here the week just closed. George Petty, president of the Chamber of Commerce, stated that while here, he was seen with reference to the Cotton Mill for this city and gladly subscribed $500 for stock in the enerprise. His act quickly became known to a large number of Mexia citizens who have high words of praise for Mr. Lebow. Mr. Lebow is understood to have profited considerably because of his investments in the Mexia oil field and now that he has seen proper to leave another sum invested in an industrial enterprise here, friends point out, he is going to continue to reap rewards in another line. It s a source of much cheer to Limestnoe county citizens to see citizens whose residence is elsewhere leaving some of the capital here raised in the county in which it was made. Mr. Lebow, Mexia appreciates your fine example.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Because of expected increase in tourist travel to this city the leading hotels are constructing large additions. The Hotel Regis will have 100 new rooms in several months besides other modern improvements. Also the bar is being enlarged.

MEXICO CITY, Mexio.—General "Pancho" Villa, former famed chieftain, has announced that he will not establish a private bank at Parral as planned because the federal government will establish a national bank.

Humphreys Gun Club In Handicap Shoot

(By Chester Field)

There has been in our midst for several weeks an organization and a branch of sports that are enjoyed by all men that love the smell of powder (no not talcum) but real powdar that pushes. This is the Humphreys Gun Club that has been sponsored by the employees of the Humphreys Oil Co. of our city.

Geo. Prendergast is possibly due much credit for this organization, while Geo. very modestly denies any leadership yet it was he that mentioned the club to the reporter and several of our friends and so it seems that to him must fall some recognition. Mr. Prendergast states that Glen Kahle and Pete Urschel have been foremost in this matter as also all of the Humphreys' employees and that it is a mutual organization and they wish each and every citizen of Mexia that onjoys trap shooting to avail themselves of this privielge and join them.

The first open shoot to be held by the club took place Saturday afternoon at their club house and shooting grounds South of the Humphreys office building and just East of the Hughes-Walker teaming grounds on South Belknap.

This was a handicap shoot and five money prizes were awarded, first being $10.00 in cash and 2nd and down to fifth prize of $2.00.

All Mexia citizens that wish to join the Gun Club will kindly phone Geo. Prendergast at 136.

If any fear their art has lost some of its cunning we will state that Jno. Sweatt has forced the management to move a flock of barns just in range that at first he could not hit but that he finally filled one of the doors with three center shots—hence the moving order.

The Humphreys Polo Club plays the Groesbeck Wonders on next Sunday at the Groesbeck club grounds and a very fast game is promised Captain Homme Haines gives the following line up: 1st position, Gilbert Sevels; 2nd Geo. Prendergast; 3rd Weems Craig, and 4th Capt. Tom Haines. All friends are invited down to Groesbeck Sunday afternoon at 2 p. m., March 4th.

RUN RIO SHOW

MILES W. VAUGHN

United Press Staff Correspondent.

RIO DE JANEIRO.—The Brazilian Centennaly Exposition will close at midnight, March 31, and will open one minute later to continue for three months—probably under a new name.

The official announcement was made by Dr. Antonio Olyntho, commissioner general of the United States, Colonel D. C. Collier.

So far the exposition has not been a financial success but the new commissioner general who was appointed by the minister of justice to replace Dr. Ferreira Ramos of San Paulo believes that he can put it on a paying basis.

This is the reson for the technical closing of the exposition on the date scheduled—March 31. When the present exposition closes all contracts for its operation will expire automatically—and new contracts will be signed at lower figures.

In reality, of course, the Exposition will not close at all, and the action of the commissioner general constitutes merely an extension of the closing date until June 30.

Decision to prolong the big show was caused by several factors:

Attendance has not been entirely satisfactory and the managers believe that they can draw big crowds during the final three months of overtime.

Countries who inaugurated their pavillions late argued that they would not receive adequate recompense for their expenses if the show closed at the end of March. These countries include two of the closest friends of Brazil—the United States and Portugal.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Automobile races are being staged here on a track recently constructed. Cars from the United States won the first race.

JAPAN IS ABOUT TO RECOGNIZE SOVIETS OF RUSSIA

By CLARENCE DUBOSE

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

TOKYO (By mail to United Press.)

For the third time Japan and Russian are trying to reach a commercial agreement—which, if made, will ultimately lead to Japan's diplomatic recognition to the Moscow government, the Russians believe.

Abram Abramovitch Joffe Moscow's envoy to Peking and, in general, the Soviet ambassador in the Far East, has come to Tokyo "on a personal visit and unofficial mission" which, tentative understandings are made of course, is intended to pave the way to an issue among which will lead to official parleys.

Joffe was invited to visit Japan by Viscount Goto, Mayor of Tokyo, a very influential Japanese leader, and a possible next Premier of Japan. Goto is president of the Russo-Japanese Society here and is a strong influence for a more liberal policy toward Russia.

At the same time Toshihiko Kawakami, a Japanese diplomat, has been sent on a special mission to Moscow, and has returned to Tokyo favorably disposed toward resumption of Japanese-Russian relations. Kawagami was formerly Japanese Consul General at Warsaw and Consul General at Moscow, at Harbin and at other Siberian cities. He speaks Russian, is one tes'on Russian affairs. His recommendations to the Tokyo government, coupled with Joffe's personal appearance here, indicate that "We cannot afford for a third Russian conference to fail," a Foreign Office official said to the United Press.

"The conference at Dairen between Japan and the Far Eastern Republi and the conference at Changihung between Japan the Soviet government o Moscow and the Far Eastern Republi both failed Now the Far Eastern Republic is no more. Siberia is unde Moscow. If there is a third conference Japan must know, before entering it, that an agreement will be reached."

Which means that the manouvering going on now is an effort to reach a Japanses-Russian agreement and then to call a formal conference to make it official.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Mexican oil fields' exports during 1922 totaled 187,436,249.32 barrels.

Attention

PROSPECTIVE HOME BUYERS

—We have homes for sale at Real Bargains, for the simple fact that several Oil Men built these homes and their business calls them elsewhere. For this reason they are willing to make a sacrifice, and as we all know there is to be a large $400,000 Cotton Mill built here, it will be well for you to see us at once and buy one of these homes which can be sold on easy terms.

J. REX FORREST

BOYD & FORREST

PHONE 413

NOTICE!

This is to give notice that the Cigar and Tobacco business heretofore conducted by the undersigned at 824 East Commerce St., under the name of the Mexia Cigar & Tobacco Co., has been sold to Berry-Barnett Grocery Co., who have taken the business over and are now Wholesale Distributors of the well known and popular brands of cigars, embracing the famour Y. B.'s, Loveras, Portinas and other well known and popular brands, featured by me in the past.

I want to take this occasion to express to the numerous dealers in Mexia and surrounding territory covered by me my cordial good will and sincere appreciation for the splendid patronage enjoyed at their hands and to express the hope that there may be no abatement in their interest in this popular line of merchandise. Berry-Barnett Grocery Co. are too well and favorably known in this territory to need any commendation at my hands, as their long and faithful service to the trade is sufficient guarantee of courteous treatment and fair dealing and I am very much gratified that my line has fallen into such splendid hands.

Again thanking my friends and customers for their many courtesies and loyal support, I beg to remain, with best wishes,

Very cordially,

C. R. NAMAN.

Referring to the above notice, we wish to say that in acquiring the distribution of this popular line of Cigars, we feel that we have added a real asset to our business and we shall endeavor to serve the trade in an entirely efficient and satisfactory manner. We earnestly bespeak your continued good will and patronage and offer you in return the best services at our command.

Very respectfully,

BERRY-BARNETT GROCERY CO

The Spring's Most Striking Costume for the Street
—Extremely Clever!

Costume Suits

These bid fair to be the most popular fashion of the early spring months—and since the coat removed leaves a dress complete it is easy to predict a full summer's service. The smartest modes are here at very moderate prices—navy, tan, gray and every varying shade of trimming.

$39.50 to $119.50

Modish Two Piece Suits

Tailored Suits, we presume they would be termed, yet they are possessed of smart little touches that make them amazing different. Models of fine Twills are embroidered, braided, or plainly tailored. Models for sports wear are fashioned of Camel's Hair, Tweeds, and Velour Checks—some with plain color box coats and contrasting plaid skirts. Included are exceptionally smart navy, gray or tan to be worn with Patterned Crepe Blouses.

$24.50 to $69.50

Suit Blouses of Patterned Crepe

The popularity of the Persian Patterned and India Poiret Blouse is its artful service in completing the tailored suit and creating the smart costume suit affect—New arrivals:

$4.95 to $14.95

W. A. JACKSON CO.

"THE STORE AHEAD"

Ladies Friday Club Holds Patriotic Services March 2nd

Lomax Pleases With Talk On Folk Lore

The Friday Club met in open session at the Elks Club rooms on last Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Each member of the club invited a friend, the American Legion was asked to attend and other close friends and former members of the club were present. Miss Karner and Mrs. Needham acted as ushers.

Mrs. W. M. White had charge of the program for the afternoon. The date being Texas Independence Day the program was planned according-

The club rooms were most artistically decorated, the state and national flags and colors predominating. Every part of the hall was lightened and made symbolic of the day.

Mrs. Reynolds, president of the club called the meeting to order. The roll call of members was answered by remarks and quotations on patriotism and citizenship.

After canceling all business matters of the club for the day Mrs. Reynolds in her own original and fable way, made a short but pleasant address of welcome to the guests, especially mentioning Mrs. Shulz, the founder of the club and Mr. John A. Lomax, the feature speaker of the afternoon. Mrs. White then took charge of the program and is to be congratulated on her perfectly planned numbers, each number fitting in charmingly and making a thoroughly enjoyable and well rounded whole.

Each person participating touched their topics with a spicy eloquence a veritable all-star cast, as it were.

The music directed by Mrs. Hatch was well rendered and most appropriate.

The program was as follows:

Song: America—Audience.

Woman's Relation to the City and Municipal Government—Mrs. Bolton.

Cowboy Songs of Texas—John A. Lomax, president of the ex-students, association of the University, and secretary of the Texas Folk Lore Society.

Sonk: The Eyes of Texas Are upon You"—club.

Patriotism—Mrs. Robert Nunn.

Piano: Patriotic Medley—Mrs. Needham.

Song: Texas Land, My Texas Land —Club.

Tribute paid to soldiers of yesterday and today—Miss Francis Bass.

Song: Star Spangled Banner—club

The real treat of the afternoon was the talk given by Mr. John A. Lomax, student of Texas folk lroe. Mr. Lomax's manner was a perfectly easy one, unassuming but majestic. His interpretation of the cowboy's verses and songs were excellent, holding his audience's attention completely. Mr. Lomax has been gathering this folk lore of the plains for many years and the humor, the pathos, the wide range of feeling and beauty found in many, if not all of his collection, proves that he has saved a wonderful thing when he has saved this prized collection of the folk lore of Texas.

Mrs. Reynolds in closing the meeting expressed the sentiments of the Club and its guests in saying the afternoon had been a thoroughly enjoyable affair. A short business meeting was held by the club after the departure of the guests. In adjusting the expenses of the finishing up of the Library, Miss Katharine McGraill, sister in law of J. K. Hughes, very graciously gavo the Club a check for the expense of the lights of the Libary for which the Club gave her a rising vote of thanks.

The regular meeting of the Eastern Stars will be held Monday night at 7:30 at the Masonic Hall here. Initiation services will be held and all members are urged to attend.

THE KIDDIE'S CAUSE

Our Boys

We see boys of all sizes around us,
Upon mischief and fun their minds bent;
You show me a boy without mischief,
I'll show you one not worth a cent.

What some would call 'mean-ness' is boyhood
Brim full of 'pep,' energy, joy;
And all that they need is just someone
Who knows how to handle a boy.

To bring out the best that is in them,
One must their every minute employ;
With work time and play time used rightly
You'll develop a wonderful boy.

The boys are all good for God made them,
To grow into men before long;
It's all in the way that we train them
Whether they will be weakly or strong.

The men of today who are leaders,
Tomorrow may sicken and die;
Then what of the boy who'll replace him,
Does the thought bring you joy or a sigh?

I meet boys every day who are anxious
To a Troop of Boy Scouts to belong;
Who's to blame if they fall into mischief,
And suppose it's your boy that goes wrong?

I'm sad to say here in our City
I can't view the problem with joy;
For it seems that the men are too busy
To take up their time with the boy.

Our boys are the men of tomorrow,
Help to fill their young hearts full of joy;
Grant that someone who reads this may offer
His service in training the boy.

—Mrs. Louella Brown

Mexia, Texas.

Club Girls Given $200 Scholarships

COLLEGE STATION, Texas, March 3.—Four Texas girls who led in the club work during the past year have been named to receive scholarships vaule dat $200 in any college of Texas that they may select to attend next year.

The girls are: Grace Morgan of Hamilton county; Bernice Smith of Argyle, R. F. D. 1, Denton, county; Alda Cornelius, Waxahachie, R. F. D. C, Ellis county; and Ramal Butler, Oklaunion, Wilbarger county.

These girls were selected by a committee of home demonstration agents of the A. & M. College of Texas on a basis o fthe work that they did during the year which closed last November, and also on their exhibits made at the Texas State Fair at Dallas last fall. The scholarships were given through the State Fair Association. Two other girls have been named as second choice and will be eligible to receive scholarships that may not be accepted by the other girls.

The four girls selected represent the four difefrent grade year's work given as a course of training by the Home Demonstration agents of the Extension Service of A. & M. College The girls in the order that they are mentioned above were in the first, second, third and fourth year courses. The fourth year completes the course in club work and the graduate is given a diploma.

Mr. and Mrs. James Blair Harris and children, James, Jr., and Mary Lynn, left the early part of the week for Dallas where they will make their home hereafter. Mr. Harris for many months has been oil editor of The News and the family won many friends while here. In church and in civic affairs they will be deeply missed. He was the first President of the Salesmanship Culb and saw that organization develop into one of the livest organizations of its kind in Texas. Mr. Harris was a very versatile writer and he will be particularly missed by readers of the News. He is now connected with an oil company in which he is interested and will make his permanent headquarters in Dallas. Before leaving, he assured many of his friends that he would be here often and occasionally articles from his pen will be published in The News. Both Mr. and Mrs. Harris expressed much atatchment for Mexia and regret that they were leaving the city which had fastened itself upon them so pronouncedly.

FOR SALE—Full blood bull pup, black with white markings, bout 4 months old. Apply at 600 East Sumpter St 4d4J

HOME HINTS

Cloves vs. Paraffin.

It is said that four or five cloves on top of jelly after it hardens will prevent formation of mould.

For a Cut

Raw starch is a good remedy for a cut that is not serious. Wet it and apply as soon as possible.

Embroidery

The good embroiderer has no knots showing on the back of her piece of fancy work. She runs teh thread along the material when she starts a fresh length and then works over the new end.

Will Prevent "Ladders."

If your silk stocking starts to ravel when you are visiting and it is inconvenient to mend it, rub a little moistened soap on the end of the run and it will hold until you have time to darn it.

Before sending for a carpenter when a door sticks, see if the screws of the hinges are tight. Frequently that is all that is the matter, and a screwdriver will quickly remedy the trouble. Should the door refuse to hold up with just this tightening, try replacing the screws with the next size larger.

UNDELIVERED TELEGRAMS

Baima, Dr.
Brice, Allison.
Duffy, C. C.
Deson, Bert.
Fields, Ber.
Goldschmidt, Evan B.
Harris, James B.
Hardin, Dave.
Jones, D. R.
Lee, Dr. Blanc B
Oliver, Mrs. C. H.
Riley, C. W.
Rodine, Mrs. George.
Smith, Jesse.
Thompson, A. W.
Ventuyl, Thomas B., Jr.

Harold Adamson, an attendant of the "Allen Academy" of Bryan, Texas, came home Saturday evening to spend a few days with his father and mother Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Adamson. He claims to be a little sick, but we opine it was more home sickness than otherwise.

George H. Craig, now of Texline, Texas, but fo ra good while a citizen of Mexia came Friday to remove his family to that city, and they left for their new home Saturday evening, attended by the best wishes of their many friends.

Mrs. R. C. West of Dallas visited friends here the past week.

Jesse McLendon

Real Estate -- Leases -- Royalties

McLendon Building - 'Phone 1

You Can Buy a House from Me and Pay for It Like Paying Rent!

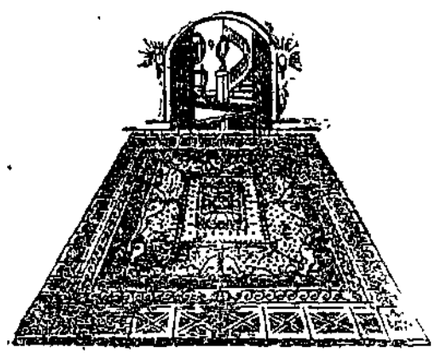
FOR SALE

36-room Hotel on Titus St., will sell for cash...$2100.00
6-room house and 2 large lots facing new High School Building ...$3500.00
3-room house on Kaufman St, well located...$ 500.00
Large Iron Garage 75x115, close in...$3250.00
Large 12-room 2-story residence on Ross Ave. Will trade for farm.
75-foot Lot Commerce St...$1000.00
4-room House, Main St. ...$1000.00
3-room House, Titus St., close in...$ 900.00
7-room House, practically new, Ross Ave...$3500.00
6-room House, 75-foot lot, Titus St...$3500.00
30-room Hotel ...On Terms
8-room House, well located to trade for farm.
2-story Garage, Milam St...$1750.00
Lots $10.00 cash, balance monthly payments.

150 acres of land, 10 miles south, per acre...$ 30.00
73 acres one mile west of town, per acre...$100.00
40 acres of land, 2 miles NE., per acre...$ 60.00
144 acres, one mile east, per acre...$100.00
1000 acres, 10 miles SE., per acre...$ 20.00
50 acres, Shiloh, per acre...$100.00
Will buy or sell Humphreys Stock.

Will trade good land for Mexia property.

JESSE McLENDON



RUGS

-Within the last few days we have received several shipments of Rugs and Linoleums which was bought by our buyer while in the furniture market in January.

-Our selection consists of the best patterns to be had throughout the rug market and the prices are as good as can be found anywhere.

-While the stock is complete why not come in and make your selection and if you are not ready for delivery we will hold same for you until called for.

-If not in a position to pay all cash ask about our terms plan. If you pay your accounts promptly we shall be glad to have your business on that basis.

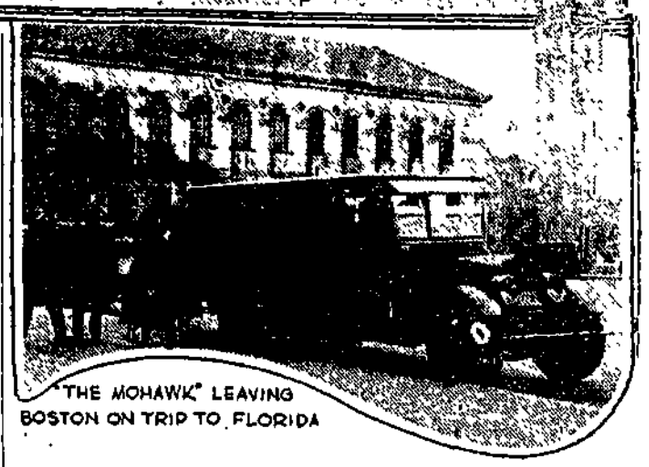
Remember we are prepared to furnish your house from kitchen to front porch and want your business.

-Our line of Bed Room Furniture is the largest and most attractive to be found in this part of the state.

J. I. Riddle & Co.

THE BIG NEW FURNITURE STORE
309-11 EAST COMMERCE ST., MEXIA, TEXAS

LUXURIOUS MOTOR BUSSES FOR L[O]NG TRIPS ARE POPULAR WITH PATRONS OF TOURIST AGENCIES



"THE MOHAWK" LEAVING BOSTON ON TRIP TO FLORIDA

The tourist agency that books you for a trip around the world by rail and water has now completed the transportation trinity by installing luxurious motor bus equipment for the carrying of tourists over the many famous scenic highways of the country. The tourist agency of George E. Marsters, Inc., of Boston and New York inaugurnted this mode of travel with much success last July by placing in service the touring limousine Mohawk. The coach was routed on regular runs over the Mohawk Trail, through the Adirondacks; to Montreal; through the White mountains and down the Shenandoah valley. These long distance bus tours deluxe met with instant favor and on the eighteen trips run from Boston to Montreal and over the Mohawk Trail there never was a vacant seat either on the outgoing or return trips. In six months the bus has covered more than 14,000 miles.

The success attending the initial bus tours conducted by Marsters led to the purchase of additional White Model 50 busses which will be used in greatly extending the company's motor bus touring program.

The Mohawk busses comfortably seat 19 passengers and have been pronounced by experts as the finest and most luxurious cars of their class in America.

Early in December Marsters conducted a party of tourists in the Mohawk from Boston to Jacksonville and other Florida points. The car will be operated between Jacksonville and Miami during the winter and on April 12 will leave Jacksonville with a party of tourists for the north. Next summer the tourist agency will have at least three touring limousines in operation and possibly more on regular schedules throughout New England.

Humphreys Gun Club In Handicap Shoot

(By Chester Field)

There has been in our midst for several weeks an organization and a branch of sports that are enjoyed by all men that love the smell of powder (no not talcum) but real powder that pushes. This is the Humphreys Gun Club that has been sponsered by the employees of the Humphreys Oil Co., of our city.

Geo. Prendergast is possibly due much credit for this organization, while Geo. very modestly denies any leadership yet it was he that mentioned the club to the reporter and several of our friends and so it seems that to him must fall some recognition. Mr. Prendergast states that Glen Kahle and Pete Urschel have been foremost in this matter as also all of the Humphreys' employees and that it is a mutual organization and they wish each and every citizen of Mexia that enjoys trap shooting to avail themselves of this privielge and join them.

The first open shoot to be held by the club took place Saturday afternoon at their club house and shooting grounds South of the Humphreys office building and just East of the Hughes-Walker teaming grounds on South Belknap.

This was a handicap shoot and five money prizes were awarded, first being $10.00 in cash and 2nd and down to fifth prize of $2.00.

All Mexia citizens that wish to join the Gun Club will kindly phone Geo. Prendergast at 136.

If any fear their art has lost some of its cunning we will state that Jno. Sweatt has forced the management to move a flock of barns just in range that at first he could not hit but that he finally filled one of the doors with three center shots—hence the moving order.

The Humphreys Polo Club plays the Groesbeck Wonders on next Sunday at the Groesbeck club grounds and a very fast game is promised Captain Hommie Haines gives the following line up: 1st position, Gilbert Sevier; 2nd Geo. Prendergast; 3rd Weems Craig; and 4th Capt. Tom Haines. All friends are invited down to Groesbeck Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m., March 4th.

OIL

In the Powell field, the J. O. Burke No. 2 of the Humphreys Oil Co. is drilling in hard rock at 2559. The Burke No. 1 of Corsicana Oil and Refining Co. is shut down at 1070 changing a rotary.

Humphreys Kenner 1 is drilling around 1670 in Gumbo; Humphreys G. Springfield is drilling at 2489 fett. The J. H. Burke discovery well is swedging and cleaning out at 3570, total depth 2968.

Trapshooter Reilly spudded in on the Reed No. 1 Saturday.

The Atlanta Oil and Refining Co. is also preparing to spud in on the Renner, as is also the Magnolia Burke 1.

The J. K. Hughes Developing Co.'s Burke 1 is rigging up.

Love Brothers Towne 1 is rigging up.

Trapshooter Warren's No. 1 is drilling at 1000 feet.

Petroleum Producers Warren No. 1 is shut down at 300 feet, waiting for surface casing.

The Kosse Field.

The Humphreys Bassett 1 is drilling at 5080 feet.

Jones No. 2 drilling at 3470 looking for casing seat.

Chief Scout Haines states with much pleasure that thru the tireless and systematic efforts of Glen Kahle and Pete Urschel of the Production Department of the Humphreys Oil Co. that the production of this company has been raised from a daily average of around 23,000 barrels to around 26,000 barrels. And this thru the addition of no new wells. Simply a case of knowing what and how and doing it. This is a feature of the oil development of this great Mexia concern that Colonel Humphreys is very proud of and has mentioned to a number of his personal friends—that is the comparative production showing and which he attributes to his officials.

HOUSTON.—C. L. Bering, Houston sportsman, has a sea gull which he claims to have caught with a hook and line. "I fastened the hook in a shrimp and hooked the gull in the tip of the beak," Bering said.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Stock of henequin in United States formerly held by the Monetaria has been sold to the Exportadora of Yucatan. The stock totals about 100,000 bales.

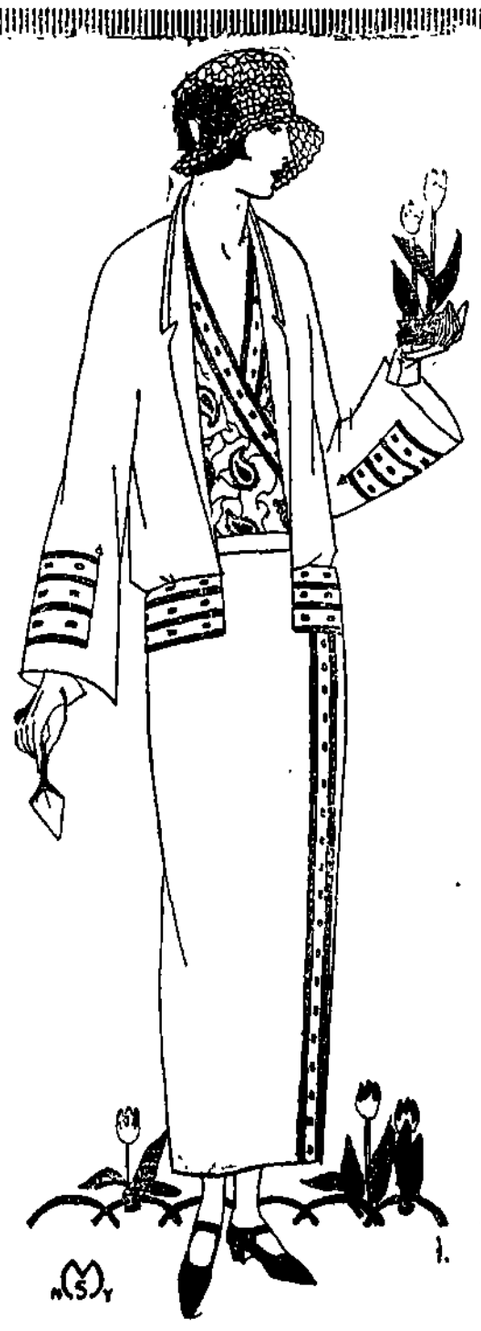
ATTENTION
KLANSMEN

REGULAR MEETING MEXIA KLAN NO. 47
MONDAY NIGHT, MARCH 5th, 7:30

All Members Are Commanded to be present.
All visiting Klansmen are urged to attend.

INITIATION AND IMPORTANT BUSINESS
TWO PROMINENT SPEAKERS

Klan Hall, East Commerce St.



HICKMAN'S

—You'll experience real delight in selecting from our showing of

New Spring Vogues

—HICKMAN'S Ready-to-wear Department is aglow with the new things of Spring.

Capes

—Fashion says that capes are the correct wraps for Spring. And if she could take a peep into our ready-to-wear department she would add that her highest ideals for the season had been realized in these showings.

Dresses

—If you haven't visited our dress department then you have missed a treat. Good dressers tell us that we have the most beautiful line to be found in town. They are fashioned in all the new crepes and silks and the trimmings are new and beautiful.

Suits

Are you planning a trip for the spring or summer? You'll certainly need a suit. We have the little two and three piece suits, fashioned of twill that can be worn during any season. They are being shown on our balcony floor.

In Our Piece Goods Department

Toile du Nord Ginghams
32-inches wide; in assorted colors; small and medium check and plaid patterns; splendid quality; per yard 35c

Red Seal Ginghams
27-inches wide; good sturdy quality dress ginghams; pretty assortment of new spring patterns in all wanted combinations. Per yard 25c

Stoffels Imported Organdy
Crisp new organdy; bright spring colors for the warm days just ahead. Quality is very fine and comes in pieces, 45 inches wide, yard $1.00

Renfrew Devonshire Cloth
Fine for making children's wear and ladies' frocks. 32 inches wide in colors which are very pretty for spring. Yard 39c

French and Tissue Gingham
Now is the time to prepare for that spring sewing. Here's mighty good suggestions. French and Tissue Ginghams in all the colors of Spring time; remarkably good value at, yard 59c

New Ratine
We have a wonderful assortment of ratine for spring wear. Very desirable for making sport clothes and street dresses. Yard, 65¢ to $3.00

HICKMAN'S

"LADIES AND CHILDREN'S SHOP"

Cheeves Bros. & Company

"Free Silverware with Your Purchases"

Monday Specials at Cheeves

All day Monday we offer the following prices on standard merchandise, up-stairs and in our Economy Basement.

HUCK TOWELS EACH 11c—50 dozen Huck towels, red border, nice size and worth much more; on sale Monday, 11c each, or $1.25 per dozen.

BATH TOWELS EACH 25c—20 dozen Bath towels, size 20x40, an extra good value, special Monday at 25c each.

COTTON NAPKINS, PER DOZEN $1.19—A good napkin for every day use; size 18 inches and priced very special Monday at $1.19 per dozen.

SPECIALS IN OUR ECONOMY BASEMENT FOR MONDAY!

10 quart blue granite water pails at $1.00
10 quart galvanized water pails at only 30c
60 pieces gray granite ware, special Monday only at 19c
70 pieces gray granite ware; special prices Monday only at 29c
Bleached crepe napkins, 13½x13½ at per hundred 15c
Half bleached cape style napkins, at per thousand 75c
Full bleached sanitary package crepe napkins (Cream of the Forest) 2 dozen for 10c
Pearl White waxed lunch paper, 30 sheets 12x14 at 5c
Large assortment Toilet soap, the very best for the price 5c
Lightning mouse trap at 3 for 10c
Number One wash tubs at 95c
Number 2 wash tubs, medium size at 85c

Don't Forget Our Economy Basement If It's For The Household

Phone 19 Phone 19

CHEEVES BROS. & CO.

"MEXIA'S GREATEST STORE"

L. V. Majors New Exalted Ruler Mexia B. P. O. E.

ther Officers Elected at Meeting Friday

t the regular meeting of Mexia dge No. 1149 B. P. O. Elks held at home Friday night the following icers were elected for the year 1923.

. V. Majors, Exalted Ruler.
. Roy Flynn, Esteemed Leading ight
Herbert Jacobs, Esteemed Loyal ight.
Elton B. Mosely, Esteemed Lectur- Knight.
Frank A. Duke, Treasurer.
Chas L. Clover, Secretary (re-elect-)
Kyle Stewart, Tiler.
C. S. Bradley, of Groesbeck, Trustee one year.
Jesse McLendon, Trustee for two ars.
J. K. Hughes, Trustee for three ars.
Frank C. Bolton, Delegate to Grand dge.
L. V. Majors, Alternate.

These officers will be installed at e first meeting in April at which ne the installation ceremonies will under the direction of a members the Grand Lodge. L. V. Majors the wly elected Exalted Ruler is one of e original charter members of the ter class of last May and is well ssed in matters pertaining to Elk- m.

ONWAY TEARLE RESCUES FLAINE HAM- MERSTEIN FROM RIVER

Perhaps you are tired of de- ert one takes out in the wilderness e Long Island hotels; snow storms, ood in warm, comfortable southern ... Perhaps you ... ke ... ed mountains and ... ke ... lopes? Then you ... ... the real thrill ... "One Week of Love," coming here ... ow to play at the National ... ater.

"One Week of Love" will take you ... ...

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Committees Report $225,000 Raised for Mills

HELP MEXIA GROW

The industrial and financial interests of the nation admit and concede that the cotton spinning industry is drifting from the North, where it was broginally established a hundred years ago, to the South, where the cotton is grown.

This fact is conceded even by New England herself—the governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, Mass., the very center of the textile industry of the world, stated in a press dispatch recently that this was true, and rightfully and logically so.

The reason for this shift have been explained in this and othe rnewspapers They include, among other conditions, the fact that freight rates on raw cotton north and finished products south have more than doubled during the past few years; state and national labor regulations have robbed New England of her one and only advantage in the textile industry, the parctice of working women and children long hours at starvation wages; the solving of the fuel problem in the south by the discovery of immense lignite beds, of natural gas and petroleum, and the perfection of modern engines to convert these Texas fuels into the cheapest kind of power; the increase in the population of the southern states to a point where industrial employment is needed to support this increase the discovery that, due to the mild winters, laboring people, factory employes, can live much cheaper and more comfortable in the South than in the North—all these and other reasons contribute to the shifting of the cotton textile industry from the north to the south.

This change started in the southeastern states several years ago. The Carolinas, for instance, already operate hundreds of cotton mills, while Georgia and Alabama are increasing their wealth, population and resources tremendously by the building of cotton mills, until today there are approximately twelve hundred cotton mills of all types located and thriving in the southern states.

But only seventeen of these are located in Texas, the state that has the most cheap fuel, the mildest climate, and teh most room for expansion of any state in the south or the nation. And, in addition, Texas produces two or three times the amount of cotton of any state in the nation—approximately one-fourth of the cotton produced in the world is grown in Texas.

South Carlina, with her small area and limited cotton production, now has some three hundred cotton mills. On the same basis, taking all advantages into consideration, Texas should have and can support a thousand such mills. And she will doubtless have them some day. Houston, Waco, Fort Worth, Breckenridge, Sweetwater and many other Texas cities are building cotton mills.

Limestone County citizens today face an opportunity such as is presented to no other locality in Texas today. Opportunities and responsibilities travel hand in hand, and while other communities in Texas aer merely considering cotton mills, Mexia should be building them. For the money is here available now. It is seeking investment. It is piling up in Mexia financial institutions daily, whereas other localities have not been so abundantly blessed with present sinews necessary to construct great industrial enterprises. While other communities may well wonder where the money is coming from, Mexia has to concern herslef about where the money is going to be invested to bring richer rewards in the future The cotton mill project meets the situation. It solves the need The value of Mexia's oil fields is going to be determined in the number of cotton mills and permanent industries left in the path of thei rwonderful development.

Limestone County is a part of the nation's greatest cotton producing state and should be the leader of the textile industry just as it is the leader of adtivities i nall. If the cotton mill industry is to shift from the North to the section where the cotton is grown, as all concede it will, then Texas should be the greatest cotton mill section in the world—and Limestone county is a prominent part of the greatest cotton producing area on the globe.

Let's build that Cotton Mill now.

HERB JACOBS HOME

Herb Jacobs of the firm of Harris & Jacobs has just returned from a 10 day trip back to his old home in Cincinnati, where one has been visiting his mother. While away, he visited New Orleans and Birmingham. He reports that il all the cities visited, much optimism prevails in

CONGRESS TO BE IN SESSION AT NOON TODAY

By LAWRENCE MARTIN
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, March 3.—With clatter and bang that has become habitual with expiring Congresses, the Sixty-Seventh Congress was today noisily working its way to the finish. There was no reason except the constitutional limitation why Congress could not have met at 11 o'clock today and adjourned at noon. Its work was virtually done.

Nevertheless, a tremendous show of energy was being made in both houses. For the first time in years, the ending of Congress found the decks clear of major legislation. Only two bills of importance were left today to be acted on—the conference reports on farm credits and the third deficiency bill. The log jam was cleared away when the Senate's filibuster against ship subsidy ended, and since then many bills have slipped quietly down smooth waters, into a heaven.

Many members seemed a bit bored with the undramatic death of the present Congress. Some already have gone home, not caring to wait for the final curtain.

Many small bills still bobbed today on the surface of the legislative waters while congressional lumberjacks did their best to pole them into positions where they would be built into the "raft of legislation," which will make up teh record of this congress.

"If we can not have drama with our adjournment, let us have a few helpful little bills that will be duly appreciated back home," remarked Pat Harrison, facetiously commenting on the last minute ruch to get private and local measures through.

"This is the time you want to watch for snakes," warned a wise old Senate attache as he fingered a thick pile of bills, all of which had passed in recent days without anybody except their authors knowing what was in them. "Snakes" is congressional idiom for doubtful legislation.

Party leaders arranging today for the final hours, found it would be necessary to kill some time. Two or three bills that have small chance of passage will be thrown into the breach to fill up the gaps and keep out some of the importunate ones whose bills have not found favor.

Family of Four Killed When Train Hits Auto

SNYDER, Texas, March 3.—A family of four was wiped out near here late yesterday when a Santa Fe special train struck a small touring car at a grade crossing.

Ben Whitehead, farmer, living near here, his wife and two children—a daughter, 5, and a son, 17—were almost instantly killed.

The train was bearing hundreds of excursionists from the West Texas Jubilee at Sweetwater. It was believed Whitehead saw the train, but misjudged its speed in relation to his own, and thought that he could beat it across.

The car, which was demolished, and the bodies of Whitehead and his son were carried by the pilot of the locomotive until the train came to a stop. The others were thrown clear. The bodies were brought here.

MEXIA OIL MEN TO SMACKOVER

Chief Scout Tom B. Haines of the Humphreys Oil Co. leaves tomorrow for a ten day's trip to the Smackover field, where the big Mexia Company owns quite a large acreage and where extensive developments will likely be made in the near future by the Humphreys Oil Co., in view of the encouraging trend of production there.

MASONS. NOTICE

Local Masons are looking fo[r] to Thursday night, March 8, when [a] degree team from Dallas will be he[re] to put on work here. Further [re]ports will be issued in succeeding

Mexia Streets Subject Up Tuesday Night

Since the publication of an article on the condition of the streets of Mexia several reservations for the meeting Tuesday night, March 6th. have been phoned into the office. This meeting is again brought to the attention of the membership of the Chamber of Commerce and there is little doubt that practically every citizen is interested in the subject, but it is very hard to induce people to stop just long enough to phone the Chamber of Commerce office to reserve a place for them. This appeal is again made to the membership to let the office know if they want to attend. The last meeting of the membership was one of the best meetings ever held in Mexia. There will be no boquet throwing or long winded oratory at this meeting if the committee can help it, of course some "four mile horse" may get strung out, but if he does, it won't be with the full conesnt of those responsible for arrangements.

The office of the Chamber of Commerce has a fairly definite idea of what ought to be done and herewith offers it "as a basis for discussion." Here it is: First and most important of all is, pave all the streets possible exactly as the work is now being done. There are many reasons why this is the best course possible. This pavement, while costing more, is much better, and the first cost will be practically the only cost for many years to come. But those streets which are not to be paved should never be left in their present condition. The proposal that the Chamber of Commerce has as a suggestion is that concrete curb and gutter be laid on practically every street in Mexia. But it should be laid on levels set by the City Engineer [w]hose level should conform with the [l]ines and grades of all the streets in [M]exia that as paving sentiment de[m]ands these grades should conform to [t]he proper level of the paving all over [t]he city. These improvements should [b]e made in line with plans and specifications laid down by the engineering department of the city, so that they will not have to be torn up and changed as paving develops. The streets should be set thirty feet wide and the spoil dirt from the grading thrown back of the curb, thereby making the streets uniform in width and grade, and giving the residence section a beautiful park space between the property line and the curb in which to plant trees and lawn grass. When the streets are graded they should be surfaced with at least eight inches of gravel or crushed rock and a fund created for maintenance as chug holes appear. The money to make improvements of this kind might be derived from a bond issue to take care of the intersections and an assessment against the abutting property to take care of the streets.

It is a fallacy to ever expect any great amount of traffic to be satisfactorily taken care of on dirt streets without any surfacing. The peculiar soil of Mexia is such that during periods of portracted wet weather there is practically no bottom to it and automobiles, trucks and vehicles of all kinds keep on going deeper and deeper. This creates ruts, chug holes and mud holes; damages vehicles, strains teams; increases expenses of handling traffic of all kinds. Heavily loaded vehicles keep on going down and down, breaking gas, water and sewer pipe with its attendant expense of repair and aggravation of the undesirable condition.

In speaking of the meeting the President and Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce appeal to the leading business men to take some interest in this meeting and phone their reservations to the office of teh Chamber of Commerce.

[T]hey do not intend to interfere with [t]he cotton mill campaign. It will take [s]ome time to [o]rganize. Time Tuesday night will be good feed [f]or discussion. Discuss the [m]atter citizenship of this [c]ity. Boost of Mexia [a]nd the location of [t]he leading [i]ndustry. Just cause [t]hem is not [t]he best practica[l] [t]hing to do. Meet, get busy and

EYES OF TEXAS RINGS OUT AT BANQUET OF EXES

"The Eyes of Teras" spirit held sway for three hours Friday night when the "Texas-Exes" of Mexia gatheerd in the first annual session of festivity and fellowship ever held in Mexia and est a precdent for former students of the University of Mexia to follow in the years to come.

It was the first celebration of any character ever attempted here by exes from the big state institution. 31 were present at the tables, when Toast master Warren Dale calle dthe gathering to order, at the Hurdleston hotel at 8:15 o'clock on the evening of March Second.

At the same hour, in many cities throughout the United States, Texas Exes assembled to renew their allegiance and loyalty to the University of Texas and to the great State whoes independence the day was the anniversary of.

John A. Lomax, well known to every man and woman who has attended the University in the past many years, of the Alumni organization and also of the Alcalde, was the campus representative at the festive board. He spoke in pleasing maner and his presence was made even more pleasant through the free for all questions asked, answers to which he gave out of the wealth of a wonderful memory that accounts for thousands of former Texas men and women.

Teh event was a most enjoyable affair and in future years, the having been opened, Texas Exes of Mexia and community will likely never miss an opportunity to observe March the Second with a fitting program.

Mrs. Sam Cox worked zealously, with other ladies. Friday in decorating the banquet hall and table, until when the gathering assembled, the guests were greeeted with a sight that at once aroused thei rold time fervor and loyalty for their Alma Mater. The colors, White and Gold, were used in artistic lovliness, streamers sweeping down from the ceiling and across the tables that were formed in a "T" shape.

Across the room at the head of the Tables, also in the University colors, appeared the sign "Texas Alumni Association."

Texas songs and yells were indulged in by those assembled [t]o pleasant memories of Clark Fie[ld] the old auditorium coming int[o] very visibly by those who [w]ere and were just Texas boys [a]gain, —students in the gr[ea]t institution that will soo[n] its fortieth year of exis[te]nce usefulness.

The following progra[m] carried out completely:

"One of innumerable [ca]lls 1923 Banquet of Exes of Texas at Mexia.

'The benefits of education and of useful knowledge, generally diffused through a community, are essential to the preservation of a free government.'—Sam Houston.

Music.

Toastmaster: Warren Dale.

Introductions.

'The Eyes of Texas Are Upon You' by the Exes.

'Texas of Yesteryears,' Joseph H. Byers.

Solo, (of her own selection) Mrs. Martin Allday.

'News from the University,' John A. Lomax.

Yells—Songs—More Yells.

'Texas Tomorrow,' J. F. Johnson.

'Co-Eds Coueds, etc,' Everybody.

Menu.

Celery Olives

Fruit Cocktail in Orange Cups

Asparagus Tips Salad on Lettuce and Red Sauce

Turkey and Oyster Dressing

Potatoes in Mound with Peas

Apple Fritter

Darresrt

Neapolitan Ice Cream and Cake

Coffee

Mrs. Martin Allday sang "As Thro the Streets," by Puviciu[s]. Encored, she presented "The Spring [Song]." Both numbers were highly [a]ppreciated as she rendered them in her [in]imitable manner that has won for [her] a place among Mexia's swe[et] singers.

Joseph H. Byers [read] "Texas Yesterday" in a [most] close attention from [all], who did a little reminis[cing] as he unfolded the [story] of life

phone the C[ham]ber of Commerce, No. 81, between [the] hours of 9:00 a. m. and noon and 1:[00] p. m.

Rotarians To Get Charter March The Eighth

Mexia Rotarians are looking forward to "big doin's" on Thursday, March 8th. District Governor John V. Singleton of Waxahachie will be the honor guest on that day, when he comes to formally present the charter of the local club. Rotarians from Corsicana, Waxahachie, Dallas and probably other Texas cities will be present and every one is looking forward to a eral big time. The Mexia club is next to the youngest club in Texas, Sherman having organized within the last two weeks, but it may be that Mexia will be the "baby club" represented at the Beaumont Conference March 19th, 20th and 21st and she wants to be "a great big baby."

Members of the Mexia club are taking a great interest in the work of the club and the members feel that the club has a bright future before it. One of the principal tenets of Rotary is the promotion of good fellowship and good will between its members and others with whom Rotarians come in contact, both socially and in a business way. The organization is built on the exalted idea of each Rotarian making his business not only profitable to himself, but servicable to the community. The Rotary motto "Service above self. He profits most who serves best" each Rotarian is expected to carry out this ideal in his contact with fellow Rotarians, but with all his fellows. The Rotary club stands for the same ideal in its fellowship with kindred organizations and all its activities have this ideal in mind.

Undertaker Is Now On Job With New Firm

Mr. Dyas Barry and wife arrived Thursday from Waco and are temporarily located at the home of J. I. Riddle. Mr. Barry is to be the manager of the Riddle-Barry Undertaking Company and is now in charge until their new building is completed at the corner of Commerce and Paris streets. The business will be handled in connection with the business of J. I. Riddle & Company as before. Construction on the new building will be started this week if the weather will permit.

Klan Subscribes $1,250 to Y. M. C. A.

On the list of subscribers to the Mexia Y. M. C. A. fund, it was noticed that the Mexia Ku Klux Klan, No. 47, had subscribed $1,250 to the new institution for Mexia.

It is also learned officially that the local Klan during the year just closed has dispensed around $2,000 in charity to cases in Mexia.

An official advertisement appears today, commanding all members to be present Monday night when a class will be initiated, according to the statement, two out of town speakers of prominence to be here for the occasion.

that should be followed by every Ex-Texas student—that of unselfish service.

Superintendent J. F. Johnson of the Mexia Public Schools told of "Texas Tomorrow," delivering a very able and forceful address, timely an din every way acceptable to the gathering.

Mr. Dale was a most pleasing toastmaster, showing himself to be an expert in the art of after dinner introduction.

A business session was held, following the banquet, at which A. Garland Adair was elected President of the Mexia, Texas [C]lub for 1923, succeeding Mr. Johnson who has been a very able president for the past two years. Mr. Sam Cox was elected Vice Preside[nt]. Mrs. J. F. Johnson, Secretary a[nd] Miss Elsie Duenberg, Alaside R[e]porter.

Meeting Monday Morning To Be Important In Move To Help Greater Mexia

About 75 or 80 Mexia business men assembled at the American Legion Hall at 3:00 p. m. Friday to have a "council of war" on the cotton bill proposition. The expression of various faces was one of intense enthusiasm on some and a quiet determination on others. J. K. Hughes reported that he had to leave on the 3:55 train and Jack Womack was elected Vice Chairman to act until Mr. Hughes returned. The propositions was discussed from various angles and the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce was instructed to wire the representative of the M. L. Cannon interests that Mexia would be ready by next Friday. This telegram was sent after the meeting.

It appeared at this meeting that about $225,000.00 had been raised and a meeting was called for the same place at 9:00 a. m. Monday morning when every man in Mexia who is inteersted in seeing Mexia get this mill is urged to be present. Don't stay away, if you want to see Mexia grow and prosper.

An old saying is "that the mill will never grind with the water that is past." And still another one that says that "opportunity, taken at its flood leads on to fortune."

Don't let anything but a providential cause keep you away from the meeting at the American Legion Hall Monday, morning at 9:00 a. m. Don't get confused on the time and place, but get it right and be there.

The World In Tabloid

HOUSE ENGROSSES EVOLUTION BILL

AUSTIN, March 3.—By a vote of 69 to 32 the House engrossed the Stroders bill prohibiting the teaching of evolution as it applies to the origin of life and species, in public schools or any of the institutions of learning in Texas supported in whole or in part by taxation.

CANDIDATE ANNOUNCES FOR SPEAKER

AUSTIN, March 3.—Representative T. K. Irwin of Dallas today announced his candidacy for speaker of the House of the 39th legislature. This is the first announcement made for this office.

HOPE ABANDONED FOR MISSING MEN

ARISTAT, W. Va., March 3.—Hope was abandoned today for four men still missing in the Pocahontas Coal mine from which six bodies were recovered following three tremendous explosions late yesterday. Rescue workers, returning to the surface at 8 a. m. to be replaced by the second shift, declared that the four missing miners are buried beneath masses of rock and slate which tumbled from the roof of the mine when the blasts occurred. Survivors of the disaster, twenty five of whom are in the hospital here, said today that three distinct explosions at depth of 3200 feet crumbled the shaft walls. Pent up coal dust is believed the cause of the explosions.

SENATE REJECTS HARDING'S PROPOSAL

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The Senate refused to consider American adhesion to a permanent Court of International Justice at this session. On motion by King to take up the resolution approving American membership, in conformity with President Harding's request, the Senate voted 48 to 24 against consideration.

CRACKSMEN BUSY AT DALLAS

DALLAS, March 3.—Cracksmen, using heavy sledgehammers, broke into the safe in the office of the Cocoa Cola Bottling company here last night and obtained more than $2800. They had gained entrance through a window.

$20,000 SILK STEAL

HACKENSACK, N. J., March 3.—John Kiss of Philadelphia was found tied to a tree beside Patterson plank road near Lodi, N. J., early today, and reported to police that bandits had held up a truck he was driving, forced him to descend, and driven off with silks valued at $20,000.

McNARY'S APPOINTMENT CONFIRMED

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The nomination of James G. McNary, southwestern banker, to be Comptroller of the Currency, was ordered to be favorably reported to the Senate today by the Banking and Currency Committee, and will be placed before the Senate in executive session this afternoon. If any serious effort is made to confirm McNary Senator Couzens of Michigan will hold up all business with filibuster against confirmation. Couzens has a six hours speech prepared in opposition to McNary.

MEXIA COMPANY CITED

WASHINGTON, March 3.—The Federal Trade Commission today cited the Roller Oil and Refining Company, incorporated at Mexia, charging false and misleading advertising in "sale and offering for sale of certain stock."

83 PRESENT AT SALESMAN'S MEETING

Meeting Wednesday called to order by L. V. Majors, president.

Blessing by Rev. T. C. Tew.

Subject, "Mexia as a Trade Center."

Jno. I. McElroy, Higdon-McElroy.

Z. Rochelle, insurance salesman.

Rube Storey, Central Texas Gro. Co.

Five Minute Speakers.

Ben Stollenwerck, Citizenship.

O. F. Watkins, A Poets Reverie.

First prize was won by Jno. I. [M]cElroy, being a carton of 40 watt [b]ulbs given by Reeves Electric Co. [A]ttendance prize, won by Jno. R. [S]tory, being one doen pencils given [b]y Frank Wagner.

[Ch]arles Blackburn, there being 83 present, largest previous meeting being 76.

Program for Feb. 7th, announced by chairman Pierson as follows:

Subject, Come Backs, "My own line." L. S. Patterson.

N. H. Pierce.

G. G. McBride.

Rev. R. C. McCollough.

Five Minute Speakers:

Judge G. A. Walters.

Rev. W. B. Andrews.

Music was furnished by Chas. L. Clover and T. A. Old, father of our club and was enjoyed very much.

HOUSTON.—"I'm dying, take me to a hospital," E. H. Davis, of Perry's Landing, Texas, told a taxi driver as he stepped from a train here last night. He died within five minutes after being treated. Death was due to natural causes, according to the inquest.

Mrs. R. C. West of Dallas visited friends here the past week.

TOURISTS FIND CANADIAN SHRINES RICH IN HISTORIC VALUE

STE. ANNE DE BEAUPRE FROM THE HILLTOP
A FATHER OF THE CAPUCHIN MONASTERY AT OTTAWA, ONTARIO
NOTRE DAMES DES VICTOIRES — HUMBLE IN APPEARANCE BUT RICH IN HISTORY
RESTORED CHAPEL OF ST CHARLES AT GRAND PRE, NOVA SCOTIA

Travelers to Europe generally spend a good bit of their time visiting churches and shrines; those who travel to the Far East make it a point to see as many temples as time and route will permit. Yet, many of these same tourists are quite ignorant that Canada has many churches and shrines whose beginnings date from white man's advent on this continent.

The most widely known one is that of Ste. Anne de Beaupre in Quebec, celebrated since 1657 for its reputed miraculous cures. The main church which was burned last year is being rebuilt, the services being carried on during the interim in the chapels. To Ste. Anne's each summer vast pilgrimages wend their way and the tiny hillside village overflows with throngs of reverent pilgrims, while booths for the sale of holy relics are set up all over the place. A visit to this shrine at any time will be fraught with interest, for the hourly services, the great gold figure of Ste. Anne and the holy relics are always in evidence. Ste. Anne's is easily reached from Quebec.

For years Evangeline Land in Nova Scotia, has attracted many, especially the descendants of the Acadians who were banished from this lovely valley in 1775. The forge, church and a few primitive buildings mentioned in Longfellow's poem, still remain, and now the little stone church of St. Charles has been re-created in its original size and form by the Societe L'Assomption as a shrine to the memory of their ill-fated ancestors. Annual pilgrimages have been arranged and Grand Pre will soon become a Mecca for devout Catholics as well as an attraction for painters, poets and lovers of Evangeline.

One may scarcely travel a block in old Quebec without passing a church and each of them has an interesting history. One of the plainest is Notre Dame des Victoires in an out-of-the-way square. It was built in 1690 to celebrate the French victory over Phipps. It rests on the site of Champlain's little 'Abitation and under its floor sleep four early French governors.

At Tadousac still stands an old Jesuit chapel built in 1746 on the site of a church dating from 1615. Throughout eastern Canada are reminders of the cassocked soldiers of the Cross who builded so well in the new world.

The many churches of Montreal's east end will repay visiting—they are rich in historical lore as well as in vestments, art and jewels. Everywhere are convents and monastaries whose nuns, monks and priests, gliding quietly through the public streets, lend a note of mystery and romance to the local atmosphere.

Tharp Pleased With Response Of The Public

By James Blair Harris

EL DORADO, Ark., March 3.—"I am indeed, highly gratified at the generous response the public is making to my initial offering of units in the Tharpe Smackover Syndicate," stated L. C. Tharpe, Trustee. "Not only has the public shown its preference for this issue by an unexpectedly heavy buying campaign, but my many friends in Arkansas and Texas are also rallying to me in great numbers. Right here in El Dorado and at Smackover, where I am best known, friends and acquaintances are purchasing liberally into the syndicate, in this fact is a wonderful source of encouragement to me. If the folks right here at home who know me and my properties, plank their good, hard money for units it is only because they know me well enough to understand that I always play the game absolutely on the level, and also that my properties must be among the choicest in the Smackover-El Dorado area in order to attract such a strong local following.

"While it is from five producing wells in the El Dorado field that we are able to pay our first cash dividend of 40 per cent and from the same source that we expect to pay other and larger dividends as the months roll around, it is from our Smackover operations that we expect to make our greatest profits, after all. Our 10 acre tract in 7-16-13 looks better than ever, now that the gerat Imperial Oil and Gas Company's No. 3 McClanahan, in the section adjoining our property, is reported to have increased its flow from 15,000 barrels to fully 50,000 barrels daily. Such wells as this and the splendid gusher recently completed near us by the Oil Operators Trust make this Smackover lease of ours look like a cool million dollars, at the least calculation. Operations are being carried forward with rapidity and within a very few weeks I hope to be able to announce to every unit holder that we have gone the Imperial Company one better, and have set a new high record for the field with a 60,000 barreler.

That Mr. Tharpe is fully justified in his optimistic outlook is readily apparent to anyone who will take the trouble to inspect the holdings of the Tharpe Smackover Syndicate. Perhaps there is no better kept lease in the entier Southwest than the Tharpe lease of 25 acres in the El Dorado East Field. Each of the five producing wells are kept in the best of condition and have settled down to a steady production that bids fair to endure for many years. The Smackover lease of this Syndicate is now an extremely valuable property and while only one well is being drilled at this time there is ample room for another well, which is understood will be drilled immediately after the completion o fthe first well. Naturally, the present strength of the crude oil market is the most favorable factor and Mr. Tharpe predicts that production in both the Smackover and El Dorado East Fields will advance at least a half dollar per barrel within the next thirty days. In view of the fact that Mr. Tharpe's past predictions as to the crude market have been fully vindicated, his present forecast is entitled to a lot of respect.

Mr. Tharpe comes of sturdy, pioneer stock. Born in Missouri he has never quite gotten over the "show me" attitude accredited to citizens of his home state. It is that faculty of looking carefully into every proposition and choosing the one that embodies the best possible features that has enabled Mr. Tharpe to start his Syndicate with such an important list of properties and to top that offering off with a spot cash dividend of 40 per cent, payable to al lunitholders of record, midnight March 10th.

THREE NATIONS AFTER ORIENTAL OIL FIELDS

BY CLARENCE DUBOSE
(United Press Staff Correspondent)

TOKYO.—Japanese, American and Russian interests trying to secure control of supposedly rich and undeveloped oil fields in Northern Saghalien.

Interest in this potential oil supply may influence Japan in a more liberal Russian policy, and cause a Russo-Japanees commercial agreement resulting ultimately in diplomatic recognition of the Moscow government.

The Sinclair Oil Corporation of America is supposed to have secured from Moscow an exclusive oil concession in Northern Saghalien. But it would be very simple for Moscow and Tokyo to reach an agreemnt whreby general Japanese cncessions and commercial and development privileges would ofset the Sinclair concession.

If Saghalien is a rich in potential oil supply as is reported, it is certain authorities here believe, that Japan, which needs a nearby oil supply, will never permit, if she can prevent it, exclusive possession of such fields by foreign concerns.

Japanese Torops There

Japanese troops still occupy northern Saghalien, as security for Russian indemnity demanded for the massacre of Japanese troops at Nickolaivsk, during Japan's Serbian expedition. There are strong indications that Japan may voluntarily withdarw these troops, as she did thoes in Siberia, because of criticism both at home and abroad. But Japan will continue to insist upon economic privileges there. A high officia lof the Foreign Office said to the United Press:

Japan does not desire exclusive privileges or concessions in Saghalien, with regard to oil or anything else. But we cannot consent to anybody else having exclusive privilcges or concessions, either. Our position is for an 'open door" in Saghalien. We want an even break with others, and we want others to have an even break with us, in developing oil and other natura lresources, and trade."

American oil scouts have been prospecting in Saghalien for several years. Since the country has been under military occupation it has been very difficult for foreigners to get into the interior—but the "oil hounds" made it and reported rich prospects.

THE FRAGILE SEX

Casey: "Kelly wants me to tell ye he couldn't be down to work today as the missis is sick."

Foreman: "An', what's after bein' the trouble with her?"

Casey: "Ah, the poor girl. She broke two fingers wallopin' Kelly."—Exchange.

STORE FOR RENT—Best location for any business. Ross & Green Bldg. Apply Chili House. 4d2K

RAIN OR SHINE

(Information furnished by A. W. Waddill, the radio man, 305 East Commerce St., Phone 553).

U. S. Weather Bureau's A. M. Forecast for March 3, 1923.

Mexia and Vicinity

Tonight and Sunday generally cloudy with unsettled weather with local rains, colder Sunday probably much colder at night.

Moderate to fresh variable winds shifting to northerly.

East Texas: Tonight and Sunday unsettled with showers, colder in interior Sunday.

West Texas: Tonight rain, colder except in southeast portion, Sunday fair, colder except in southwest portion.

Shippers Forecast

Protect shipments during the next 24 to 36 hours from temperatures as follows: North freezing, probably below freezing in north portion of the Texas Panhandle. West probably near freezing by Sunday morning.

Highway Weather Service

Highways were improving but owing to probable showers during the next 24 to 36 hours extended automobile trips in Texas and Oklahoma are not advisable.

ROOM WITH BOARD—Attractive, Southeast down stairs room, adjoining bath, all modern conveniences for couple or gentlemen, excellent meals, price reasonable. We also have an opening for a refined young lady as a roommate for another. Mrs. J. W. Lanning, 212 So. Canton St., Phone 641-W. 4d3T

THE HOME GARDEN

Making a Good Seed Bed

A sponge's capacity to take up water is largely dependent upon the size of the holes in it. A coarse sponge with holes as wide in diameter as the finger and many of them, will not hold as much moisture in suspension as will a sponge of the same size with fine pores and smaller orifices.

The soil acts as a sponge, holding moisture for the plants, and the finer the soil the more readily it holds moisture and the more moisture will it contain. Finely sifted and close packed, the tiny rootlet of the seedling comes in contact with its nourishment at once and starts rapid growth. If the soil is lumpy, with large interstices, a seed may send its first sprout out into space until it can reach more closely packed earth. The fine soil draws moisture from the bottom upward by capillary attraction, and the finer it is the more readily the moisture is drawn through the surface and the soil evenly moistened. In coarse, lumpy soil the water is not drawn up regularly from below.

For this reason it is necessary to take extra care to sift the soil for seed boxes, and for the top layer of the hotbed or cold frame. In order to prevent too rapid drying out, it is necessary to pack the fine soil firmly ove rthe seeds.

The coarse screenings from the soil are useful to spread over the bottom of the seed box to provide drainage. Over this the fine soil should be spread evenly and firmed down. The fine rthe soil and the moer fertile it is the better the germination and quicker the growt hof the little plants.

A great deal of seed is wasted, and many attempts at sowing seeds indoors prove failures at the very start because the soil is not properly prepared. Next to this is the failure to provide suitable drainage. The seed box must be built so that the soil will retain moisture, but will not remain water soaked and sour. Overwatering promotes a fungous disease known as "damping off" which causes the seedlings to rot off at the surface of the soil. This fungus often will ruin a box of seedlings before the gorwer knows what is happening. It can be obviated by providing drainage at the start.

SEED SOWING TECHNIQUE

There is quite a trick to sowing seed evenly and thinly, but it is easily done when you know how.

Professional gardeners who have large quantities of seed to sow usually use a wheel hoe with a seeder attachment or a seeder horse drawn. However, when the seed is to go in boxes or hotbeds or in small quantity, he sows it direct from the packet with a steady motion that drops the seeds evenly and not too thickly in the row made for it.

First of all, after prying the flap loose or cutting the edge of the packet, make a crease in one side of it so that when you hold the edges between the thumb and second finger, the forefinger being above it, the opening will be almost triangular, the edge of the packet being held firmly enough to force the crease apart so that it makes a trough down which the seed may flow.

Now tilt the packet gently and tap it with the forefinger, which will be free above it. With a little practice you can move along a row tapping the packet regularly and the seed will trickle out as fast and as thickly or as slowly and as thinly as you desire.

This is a much eaiser way than trying to take a pinch of seed between the thumb and forefinger and scatter it.

Where seed is very fine, mix two or three times its bulk of fine sand with it, and this will serve to distribute it thinly enough. With very fine seeds that pour out too rapidly some such device is necessary. The sand also fills the useful purpose of showing where the seed has been sown if you are broadcasting it and want an even distribution.

With very fine seed no soil covering should be used, but the seed should be pressed firmly into the soil with a brick, smooth block of wood or some simila rdevice . Mere contact with the soil is sufficient to promote germination if proper moisture is provided. Covering with soil is likely to smother the seedlings.

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Local News

J. L. Hearn is spending today in Dallas.

G. E. Mitchell spent Wednesday in Corsicana.

T. E. Hamilton from Corsicana spent Friday here.

W. J. Kelling was a Groesbeck visitor Saturday.

A. P. Grant was a Dalas visitor to the city this week.

A. J. McCarty of Taylor had business here this week.

P. F. Wallace of Jacksonville was a Mexia visitor Friday.

L. E. Moore of Waco spent a few days here this week.

Dick Jackson of Corsicana was here on business Saturday.

E. R. Kennedy of Groesbeck was a Saturday visitor here.

Miss Annie Lenoir of Groesbeck is spending the day here.

H. W. Rose of Ft. Worth was a Mexia visitor Friday.

A. M. Taber was among the Dallas visitors here Saturday.

Mrs. W. E. McKinney is another on the "Flu" list this week.

Mrs. J. A. Tipple of Dallas was a local visitor this week.

C. A. Wheeler of Bonham was a Mexia visitor this week.

W. H. Allen of Groesbeck was a Mexia visitor this week.

J. W. Curry of Teague was a business visitor here Friday.

George Rose of Houston was a business visitor here Saturday.

L. E. Murray was a Wortham business visitor the past week.

Ed Maddox was a business visitor from Ennis here Saturday.

H. R. Rich of Waxahachie wes here the latter part of the week.

Hy Martin of Waxahachie was in the city on business Saturday.

Billie Gray of Madill has been spending the week here with friends.

E. F. Prendergast was a Mexia visitor from Dallas this week.

Sam Suravitz left on the 11:30 Saturday night for Groesbeck.

A. W. Pettigrew from Austin was here the latter part of the week.

R. P. Jensen of Dallas was a business visitor here the past week.

C. M. Church is to spend Monday at the Fat Stock Exposition in Ft. Worth.

R. H. Vice of Denison was business visitor here the latter part of the week

G. W. Butler of Electra was shaking hands with friends here Friday.

Ross Brown of Waco was among visitors from that city here Friday.

J. W. Frazer of the Mexia Cotton Exchange is spending today in Dallas.

Miss Corinne Desenberg returned Saturday from a brief visit to Groesbeck.

W. R. Abell was a business visitor here the last few days of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Walter of Beaumont were in Mexia during the past week.

Miss Esta Pearl and Mary Hening was in the city Saturday from Groesbeck.

A. R. Kelley of Corsicana was a Mexia visitor the latter part of the week.

Mr. Rado Steel from Forrest-Glade paid the News a very pleasant visit Saturday.

Harry Holston of Houston was a business visitor here the latter part of the week.

George Perkins and J. D. Arrington are expected to return from Austin this morning.

James H. Trice of Tyler paid his usual business visit to this city during the week.

J. H. Dalton of Hillsboro was a local business visitor the latter part of the week here.

John Maddox and Conrad Maddox are improving rapidly, following their recent operations.

Mrs. W. B. Kyle of Normangee is spending the day here, the guest of the Majestic hotel.

...ending a few days ...

Roy Akin has gone t... ...ie where he has accepted a position.

Mrs. Chas. Kennon will visit in Corsicana, the first part of the coming week.

B. L. Adams was among Corsicana citizens who had business here the week just closed.

Mrs. Oscar Denning has returned from Pittsburg where she attended the funeral of an aunt.

E. L. Smith returned on the noon train Saturday, following a week spent in Wichita Falls on business.

Mrs. E. L. Smith and son, E. L. Jr., are expected to return in a few days from a visit with relatives in Terrell.

Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist church will meet Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the church.

Miss Velma Kirkpatrick of Whitewright is spending the week end with her sister, Mrs. R. E. Hickman of this city.

Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Hughes left Friday for Fort Worth where they will spend a few days at the Fat Stock Show.

Mrs. Clarence Best, and little daughter, Daphna, are quite sick at their home in the Grammar School Addition.

Mrs. J. W. Frazer of Dallas spent Friday and Saturday with her husband, J. W. Frazer of the Mexia Cotton Exchange.

The splendid little son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hatch is understood to be suffering severely, supposedly with the prevalent "Flu."

Miss Corinne Desenberg, Mrs. Monta Lawrence of Waco visiter Groesbeck between trains to see their aunt Mrs. Louis Scharff.

The News is pelased to report that Mrs. G. A. Lyell, who has been confined to her bed for the past week, is able to be up again.

John Lomax, of the University of Texas, left Saturday morning for Dallas where he was to spend a day or two before returning to Austin.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Peyton, Mrs. Roy Akin, Mrs. Rush Hickman and Mrs. Jim Prickett went down to Teague Thursday afternoon to attend the funeral of Mrs. E. A. Cox.

Hub Northen of Atlanta, 1923 Manager of the Mexia Gushers, is spending the day in the city. With his coming, some real news items for Mexia fans is expected soon. He is registered at the Majestic.

Major N. P. Houx, who has borne up faithfully throughout the week, while editing the News in the absence of A. Garland Adair, left his desk Saturday afternoon to go to bed with a sure enough case of "Flu."

Mrs. T. B. Poindexter and Mrs. A. J. McKinney attended a luncheon at the home of Mrs. W. P. Harris. in Teague Thursday. They were accompanied to Teague by Mrs. Ben Huddleston, and Mrs. C. C. Hackney accompanied as far as Mexia.—Wortham Journal.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Ellington and daughters Misses Dosa and Beth have returned home after a three months sojourn in the Brownsville country. On account of the heavy rains and mud, they were forced to leave their car in San Antonio.

Commissioner John Kennedy of this precinct reported Saturday that he had several crews at work on the roads of the precinct. With the return of fair weather he expects to be very busy for quite a while building and improving the road system of the precinct.

"TAKE THAT MAN'S NAME!"

He was calling on the one and only girl.

"William," she said softly, expecting the usual answer, "William, dear, have you any idea what Heaven must be like?"

"Yes, darling. Until today I had never given the matter much thought. But now I have a clear idea of what Heaven must be like."

"Yes?" she murmured, snuggling closer. "Tell me what gave you this idea."

"Well, my angel, I was listening today to the recruiting officer describing life in the United States Marine Corps."—American Legion Weekly.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Automobile races are being staged here on a track recently constructed. Cars from the United States won the first race.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Mexican oil fields' exports during 1922 totaled 187,436,249.32 barrels.

STORE FOR RENT—Best location for any business. Ross & Green

Rev. G. T. Reeves

Who will perach his first sermons at the First Christian Church today. The public is cordially invited to worship with this congregation and give the new pastor a genuine happy welcome to Mexia and community.

First Christian Church.

Sabbath School at 9:45 a. m.

Preaching by the pastor, Rev. G. E. Reeves, at 11:00 a. m. and at 7:15 p. m.

Morning subject: "The Book Wonderful."

Evening Subject: "God's Delcaration of Freedom."

The public is cordially invited to all services.

Christian Science.

Christian Science services are held every Sunday morning at 11 o'clock in the K. of P. Hall, opposite Post Office.

Subject: "Christ Jesus."

Golden Text: Isaiah 0:2: The people that walked in darkness have seen a great ligth; they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them hath the light shined.

Sunday School is at 9 o'clock.

Testimonial meeting is on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

First Methodist Church.

The Pastor will preach at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m.

Sunday School 9:45 a. m., J. Sandford Smith, superintendent.

Epworth League 6:30 p. m., Chas. L. Lewis, president.

Prayer meeting Wednesday evening 7:30.

Central Presbyterian Church

One block North of Majestic Hotel.

Morning Hour, 11:00.

Evening Hour, 7:30.

Sunday School, 9:45.

Endeavor, 6:30.

You are cordially invited to all of these services, we want to give to you a hearty welcome, come and worship with us.

P. D. TUCKER, Pastor.

First Baptist Church.

Bonham and Carthage Streets.

9:45 a. m. Bible School.

11 a. m. Preaching by the Pastor. Subject: Caleb the Son of Jephunneh.

6:30 p. m. B. Y. P. U.

7:30 p. m. Preaching by the Pastor. Subject: The Little Whiles of Jesus.

You are invited and will be given a cordial welcome to all the services.

C. T. TEW, Pastor.

Allison Bryce, who has been for the past year, pressman on The Mexia Daily News, left Friday for Oklahoma City where he has accepted a similar position in a newspaper publishing house there. Mr. Bryce was a genial and affable young man who made many friends here and these will regret to learn of his departure. His place is being filled by Mr. George Lee.

ROYAL—DUTCH COMPANY IS IN FORT BEND

ROSENBERG, Texas, March 3.—Recent beginning of actual operations by the Royal Dutch Shell company on their 4000 acre lease in the vicinity of Beasley, eight miles southwest of Rosenberg, is regarded as one of the most momentous and interesting developments in the history of Fort Bend county oil fields, since it is generally believed that the operations of this company will tend to focus the serious attention of the oil fraternity upon tehse fields and thus serve to materially stimulate and expedite their development.

Following an exhaustive topographical survey of their holdings and adjacent territory, a test location recently was made about one mile due south of Beasley on a 70 acre tract owned by C. W. Andrus of Rosenberg, who is understood to also control a large acreage contiguous to the leased area. A ortary test rig recently arrived at Beasley and the initial test, which will be known as Andrus No. 1, was spudded in Friday afternoon in the presence of several compayn officials. It is understood that this rig has a possible depth range of 1500 feet and that it will be employed in making an exhaustive test of the formations of the entire holdings of the company, with the possibility that encouraging may be obtained in some instances by means of these tests.

The Humphrey's test olcated one-fourth mile east of the postoffice at Needville, twelve miles south of Rosenberg, is temporarily shut down at 2500 feet pending the arrival of a shipment of drill stem which is expected daily. It is reported that favorable indications in the form of a lime rock formation were encountered in this test between 2300 and 2500 feet.

The setting of 1582 feet of 8 inch casing recently was completed at Booth No. 1 and officials have announced their intention to begin pulling the drill stem Monday, with a view to cleaning out the well and making a thorough test of the oil sand which was entered several weeks ago at 1588 feet. Prospects for completing this are said to be very encouraging and next week's activities will be watched with much interest.

Recent rainy weather has delayed reports from other fields in this locality, but it is understood that all are making fair progress.

Christian Endeavor Program.

Leader, Mrs. Norman Could.

Subject: The Refuge.

Psalm, P. S. 91:1-16.

Song Service.

Prayer.

Scripture reading and leader's talk

Talks on the following:

What is meant by dwelling in God?

What is the secret place of the most high?

How should we learn to trust God?

How should the bible help to strengthen faith in God?

How can we make God our home?

Instrumental solo by Elise Gibson.

Some illustrations on the topic.

Special Music by Hazel Fielder.

All the young people of the town who do not go to such a society at this are invited to come. We are planning to do some real inspirational work in the coming weeks.

CRYSTAL WATER WORKS—Phone 662. Have discontinued and phone 655. Call 662 for prompt service. Deliver water any place in the city. E. V. Prather. 4d7P

FOR RENT—Three room cottage furnished, water lights and gas. Three blocks East of Grammar School. Phone 219-W. A. A. Steel. 4d2K

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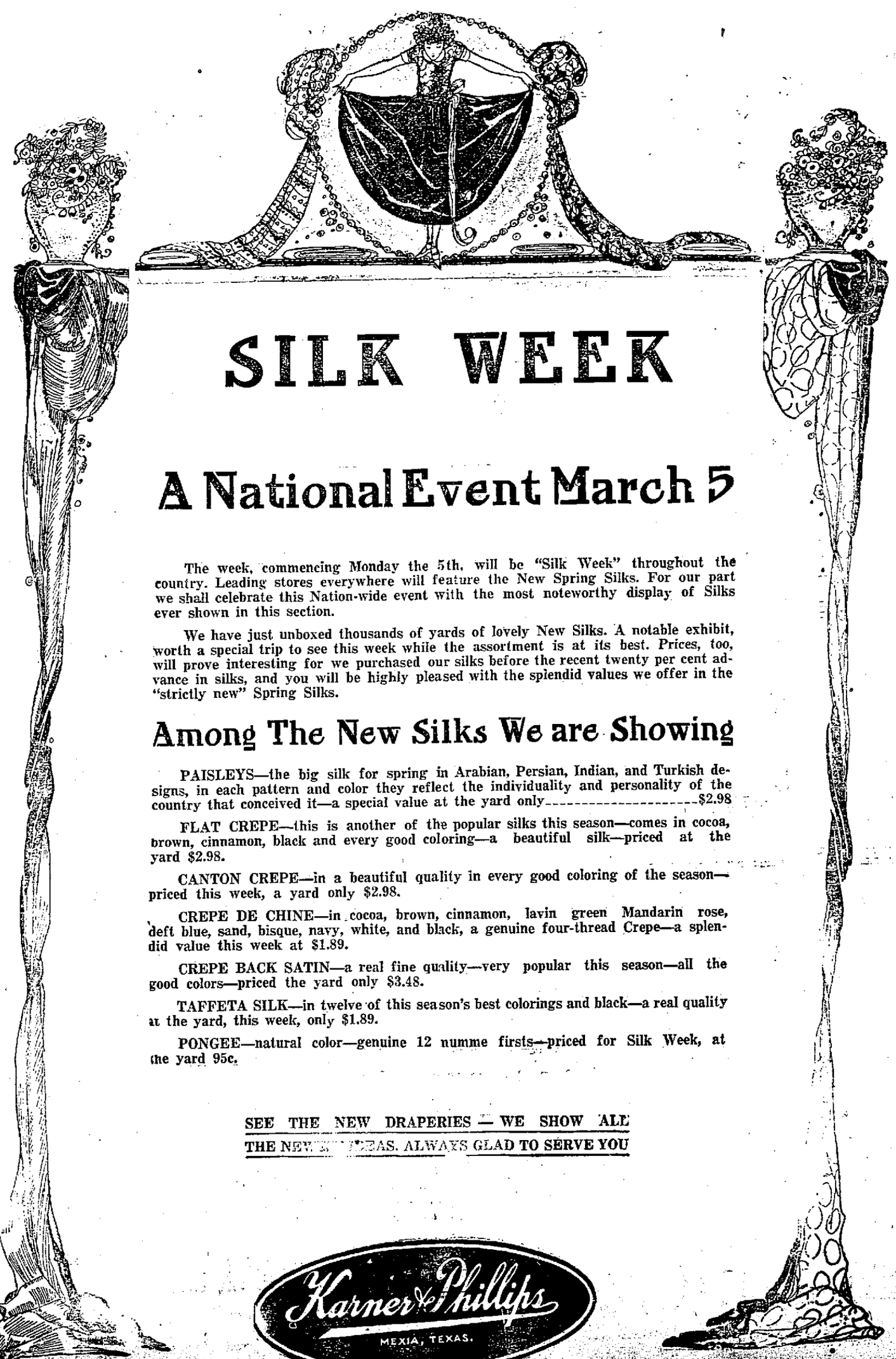

SILK WEEK

A National Event March 5

The week, commencing Monday the 5th, will be "Silk Week" throughout the country. Leading stores everywhere will feature the New Spring Silks. For our part we shall celebrate this Nation-wide event with the most noteworthy display of Silks ever shown in this section.

We have just unboxed thousands of yards of lovely New Silks. A notable exhibit, worth a special trip to see this week while the assortment is at its best. Prices, too, will prove interesting for we purchased our silks before the recent twenty per cent advance in silks, and you will be highly pleased with the splendid values we offer in the "strictly new" Spring Silks.

Among The New Silks We are Showing

PAISLEYS—the big silk for spring in Arabian, Persian, Indian, and Turkish designs, in each pattern and color they reflect the individuality and personality of the country that conceived it—a special value at the yard only.....$2.98

FLAT CREPE—this is another of the popular silks this season—comes in cocoa, brown, cinnamon, black and every good coloring—a beautiful silk—priced at the yard $2.98.

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INCREASED CHURCH ATTENDANCE

Headed by a justice of the New York Supreme Court, the town of Nyack, N. Y., has appointed a committee to arouse interest in church attendance. The first Sunday following the committee's work has shown great increase in the number of persons attending church in that town, and those backing the movement are, naturally, much gratified at the results they have achieved.

Following this first week in the direction of increased church attendance the committee plans a "follow up" campaign which is designed to keep alive the interest of the people in the churches which they have been persuaded to attend. And it is right here that we are afraid the committee is using faulty psychology.

Congregations that are kept in church through repeated urgings on the part of a church attendance committee are of small value either to the church or to the progress of religion. The man who goes to church in 1923 because his resistance is worn down by a tireless campaign of argument and pursuasion is worth no more to the institution he attends than was the man of a few centuries ago who went to church because failure to do so meant a period in stocks, or perhaps an interview with the executioner.

"Go-to-church campaigns" are good things. But they must be regarded in the same class with the initial advertising of a nation wide campaign. They serve to get the people within the walls of the house of worship just as the first advertisements of a campaign pursuade a large section of the public to buy the advertised goods. After that it is a matter of performance. The minister and the church which gives the congregation the things it needs and makes its service interesting and vital will hold its communicants. The minister and the church which fails to do this will never have a large membership—no matter if "Go-to-church campaigns" are a perpetual condition.

THE DOOR OF THE CHURCH IS ALWAYS OPEN

"What does the Lord thy God require of thee but to fear the Lord thy God, to walk in all His ways, and to love Him, and to serve the Lord thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul. To keep the commandments of the Lord, and His Statutes, which I command thee this day, for thy good."—Deut. 10:12-13.

Have you ever stopped to think just what privileges and advantages are accorded us in our daily life and just what we are doing in return for all these benefits? Have you ever stopped to think that we may not be living up to our part of the contract? Divine Providence had defined certain things, which we must do in order to enjoy a happy and successful life and not interfere with the life of our fellow men. These principles are simple, but sometimes hard to follow without being bolstered up on many occasions. The principles of life have been revealed to us through the Bible and the church has been established as the means of helping us to follow the instructions which have been given. The process is simple and the results are certain.

The church is the one avenue through which the principles of Christianity are spread throughout the world, and through which we may be guided and helped in our travel through life.

AMERICAN HUSBANDS

American husbands aren't so bad after all, at least in critical eyes of French women. Of 20,000 votes cast in a recent Paris contest, 14,000 women voted that they would choose an American for a helpmate if it were merely a case of choosing.

The Italian husband, the vote revealed, is more popular by 200 than the Britain, and the Turk, he of the hundred wives, is the most unpopular, with eighteen votes. The fairer sex smiled only upon the American, the Italian and English husband beyond the four hundred mark.

So the much-abused American spouse has been vindicated. All the unkind things said about him fall on deaf ears so far as the French woman is concerned. Compared to the male of other countries, all things considered, he has been found by the women of France to measure up to the Gallic standard of matrimony. The war won a signal victory for the American husband.

"WOMAN'S EMANCIPATION"

The decision of the London Board of Trade that sex shall in the future be no bar to the issuance of a pilot's certificate is another indication of what is generally heralded by feminists as the "emancipation of women". According to the ruling women are eligible for certificates as "masters, mates or engineers".

One drawback to the ruling is the fact that there is to be no royal road to nautical knowledge for women. They must ship before the mast as do men apprentices and they are to be shown no favor by the skippers. It is unlikely that many women will avail themselves of the new privilege extended to them. At the same time it is an encouraging sign of progress in England that women are to be further placed on terms of equality with men and offered the same opportunities in whatever line of endeavor they seek to make their mark.

PSYCHOLOGY AND ACCIDENTS

An authority on psychology has told a Chicago audience that the bulk of automobile accidents is not so much due to criminal negligence as it is to wrong mental conceptions on the part of those to whom drivers' licenses have been granted. "Applied psychology," he says, "will do more in a minute to prevent automobile accidents than legislation and criminal prosecution will do in an hour."

For the accuracy of this deduction we cannot vouch. The appalling increase in the number of automobile disasters, however, is convincing evidence that it is not adequately cared for by existing laws. Reform is needed, none can deny, and if the imposition of a psychological test will bring about the desired improvement we earnestly recommend it to the consideration of legislators in the various states.

Isadora Duncan danced her way into the United States but she seems to have talked her way out. Secretary Davis is considering revoking her citizenship because of her radical utterances.

Letters from People

"Mistake Corrected on Shiloh Community

The item appearing in the News several days ago, concerning a man being arrested in Shiloh with mash in his possesison for the purpose of making whiskey, was an error. Will greatly appreciate a correction made through your paper in justice to our community, as it is an orderly and well conducted for from "No Man's Land."

The mash was captured in an adjoining district.

"WHILE OTHERS SLEEP"

OWEN FRIEND WATKINS

THE PLOWSHAES OF TIME

How oft we brood in deep and pensive thought
The sad and melancholy scenes to view
On life's dim road, where toil and pain are wrought
Upon the brow of man, as me and you:
The furrows deep are cut in wrinkled hue
To tell of hard fought battles they have won
When some grim fate their willing hands subdue
And blights the hopes of splendid task well done:
Or stays the sting of death for loved ones gone.

Perhaps at dawn of life, was laid to rest
His kind and anxious father's helpful lead
Or drawn by death from mother's tender breast
And rob'd of guiding hands for childish need:
And thus in youth was forced to earn his meed
Deprived of parent boast to guide his way
And spur him on to some alluring deed
But spent his boyhood strength in slow decay:
While other children spent the golden day.

He waged his all that years had took to save
On turn of fortune's wheel, or magic wand,
To drain his cup of grief when lottery gave
The age-old blank in luckless game to stand:
Relentless fate has left it's wrinkled hand
Prest down upon his brow the care-worn mark
His hopes repressed by fortune's sabled brand
No faith to fan to life the smothered spark:
For him this smiling land is cold and dark.

The heart that sung in sweet and gleeful gust
Now chants its doleful dirge of faithless day
Disdainful lips are curled in deep distrust
Some false and fickle love their eyes betray:
No tears are shed for human grief's allay
Nor ears can hear the wail of pain or fear
Of them that love deceived, and sad dismay
Left on their brow its cold and haughty sneer:
That day constrains the heart of ardent cheer.

One sunkissed day when hills were all in bloom
With butter-cups and daisies tinted beam
He linked his fervent soul, as bride and groom
With that sweet girlish form of arduous dream;
No mortal sway could cloud the happy gleam
In sweeet accord they labored side by side
And raptured hearts forgot the cold, cold stream
Of plague and death, and then she droop'd and died:
Since that sad day he's drifted with the tide

Yet young in years, the wan and haggard look
Reveals the hectic flush of passion's flame
For transient ones sweet virtue's path forsook
To tread the scarlet trail by unknown name:
But silks and furs can never hide the shame
Nor jeweled hands disperse the social gloom
Cast on the brow of lust, but wrath and blame
Must be the fate, and seal her fatal doom:
And chill her prudent smile and childish bloom.

The deep set scowl that brands the pervert face
With sin's unerring marks to tell the tale
Of midnight brawls or luxury's fond embrace
Or passion's unsubdued on scarlet trail;
Now reaps the tares sewn in the stormy gale
As prime of life was spent in sensual care
And vernal realms in life's sequestered vale
Forbid their joy and bliss with him to share:
His soul is left in darkness and despair.

Those wrinkled brows our reverence command
In care-worn marks life's dreary ways are told
By lines that trace the brow and leave the brand
Of lust, distress, deceit or shame there scroll'd;
They may reveal that some are growing old
Or spent their leisure hours in studious lore
That calmly knits the brow and makes the mold
For ripe old age, or sketch for wisdom's store:
Those wrinkled smiles and brows we all adore.

CONGRESSMAN HARDY ON CONDITIONS NOW AND THIRTY YEARS AGO

Fairfield Recorder

Washington, D. C., Feb. 24, 1923.

To the Fairfield Recorder,

In your issue of February 3rd, I think it was, I noted an item saying that the legislature was about to pass a bill making Freestone and Limestone Counties each separate Judicial Districts and as I remember it Freestone was to have a possible eight months court annually. I may not remember the length of the court correctly, but it was at least amazing to me.

In the same issue you published a column from an old Recorder of thirty years ago, which gave the names of all the grand jurors sworn in for the February term, 1893. Mr. W. C. W. Day was foreman and all the names were familiar, and they were all sterling citizens of that day.

Your issue of Feb. 10, 1923, has just reached me, I see in that also a column of local items which appeaed in the Recorder thirty years ago, that would be about Feb. 10, 1893. Among the items were this:

"The Grand Jury adjourned last Tuesday after a session of eight days. It found in all only ten bills, four for felonies and six for misdemeanors. A grand juryman remarked to us in our office, after adjournment, that in point of law and order, he believed the County was in the best condition he ever knew it to be in, and he has been a resident of the County for many years. That certainly speaks well for the County. Now, if the colored population would drink less whiskey, behave themselves better and not be all the time in Justice or County Court for fighting one another and cutting up generally at their "festivals" there would be less criminal business in our lower courts, and the County would get out of debt much sooner than otherwise."

I have noticed also in some of the papers from home that there is a move on foot to form a new County out of parts of Freestone, Limestone and Navarro, and so give the people more courts and County officers.

Moreover in order to enforce the law and preserve public and private morals some of our good citizens have deemed it necessary to form Ku Klux Klans.

Your editor remembers those good old days of thirty years ago, as well, or perhaps so far as Freestone is concerned, better than I.

As I remember it in those good old days the Freestone term of District Court rarely occupied three weeks in full, and in the three Counties there were lessthan thirty weeks of actual court. Much of the court's time in those days was taken up in the trial of land boundaries and land titles and trials for hog stealing, cattle stealing and the like. I think very few of these classes of trials now occur. If Freestone or the old 13th Judicial District were unique in this increase of courts, we might look for an explanation in some peculiar local conditions but the same thing has happened all over Texas and in every other State. At the same time the number of federal courts has quadrupled, and the number of federal enforcement officers has likewise quadrupled. We have more schools, more churches, more laws to protect mothers and children, every industry is governed and regulated, bureaus and commissions exist for everything, we have prohibition and woman sufferage, the up-lifters are in the saddle in legislative, executive and judicial departments of the government, State and National.

What do you think is the cause of these strange facts?

Very truly,
Rufus Hardy.

THERE'S A REASON

Mr. Cheerup: "Look pleasant, my man. The fellows who succeed are the ones who can smile."

Mr. Lowdown: "Sure! That's what makes 'em smile. What have the other guys got to smile about?"—Ex.

AND TRUTH PREVAILED

Canute gloomily watched his early British courtiers struggle with the impertinent waves.

"At least," he mused, "history will give me credit for teaching these creatures how to bathe."—Ex.

back to normal conditions. The Autrain paper money has been stabilized at approximately 69,000 crowns to the dollar, the normal value of a crown being nearly 20 cents.

Prices in Austria are now adjusting themselves to the new value of the crown and living no longer is abnormally cheap for foreigners. World levels have not quite been reached in prices, but the proportion is as five to seven. That is to say five dollars in Austria represents a purchasing power of about seven dollars in the world markets.

The League of Nations has completed arrangements for a loan to Austria and all reparations charges have been suspended for a number of years to come. Austria, consequently, has no impendiments on the road to complete recovery.

Austrian prices are higher than German prices and it costs more to live in Vienna than in Berlin. The Germans are importing goods from Austria and are selling them cheaper than the prices charged in Austria.

Vienna Coming Back.

Vienna is coming back to her former position as the financial centre of all southeastern Europe. The frequent references in the past to Vienna being a useless municipality for a country so small as the post-war Austria aer being porven to be false. On the contrary, Vienna is saving Austria.

All the machinery for international finance and international commerce exists in Vienna and in no other south east European capital. The Austrians have been able to capitalize this fact to their permanent advantage.

Much poverty still exists in Austria, but side by side with it is an extraordinary amount of industrial activity. The Austrians have shown great initiative, for instance, in electrifying their main railway that runs from Switzerland eastward. The electrification of the road is now more than half completed, the power being drawn from waterfalls which abound along the route.

The saving in coal, which Austria has to import, is enormous. But, more than that, the work disproves the charge that the Austrians have taken their defeat in the war lying down.

The inefficiency of the government telegraph and telephone system is now being recognized by the government and a movement is under way to abolish government ownership.

An English syndicate is perpared to make an offer to the state for taking over the telegraph and telephone lines, operatingthem more effectivelythan in the past, and paying a handsome royalty to the state in return.

The Austrians are paying scarcely any attention to international politics. The agitators who want a union with Germany are without hearers. Austria is giving all her time to economic rehabilitation .

The success of the Austrians in coming back is a sure indication of what is awaiting the rest of central Europe once the politicians cease their agitations and let economic law do its work.

Austria fell furthest away from normal of all the war's victims, and was most seriously mutilated by the peace treaty. Despite these handicaps Austria is rising to her feet and is pointing the way to the other fallen nations.

VIENNA IS STAGING A COMEBACK

By J. W. T. MASON
(Written for the United Press)

The most surprising econimoc development in Europe since the war is the ease with which Austria is coming

(THIS WAS WRITTEN BY A WOMAN)

Why I Use Advertising As My Buying Guide

In my capacity as housewife I am the general manager of a household. Upon me devolves the duty of making rather large purchases which leads into another duty—that of the economical expenditure of the household funds.

My husband reads very assiduously what he calls "trade papers." These papers pertain entirely to his business. He says he could not get along without them because they keep him posted on matters which come up in his business life every day.

In running my household I find that the newspapers and the magazines are my trade papers." The advertisements tell me nearly everything I wish to know about the purchases I should make. Like my husband who spends hours upon hours engrossed in his trade magazines so that he may conduct his business more successfully, I study with care the advertisements in the newspapers and the magazines which I have found out enable me to conduct my business, which is my household, more economically and successfully.

In doing my neighborhood buying I think that I am able to choose the store that gives me the greatest value for my money. My choice is always the one where I am sure to get the advertised goods I ask for and where I am not told: "Here is something else just as good." I buy advertised goods because experience has taught me I save money thereby.

It has been my observation that the store keeper who handles advertised articles sells more goods and it isn't hard for me to figure out that if the dealer wants to make only a fair profit he can sell me goods cheaper if he sells a great many goods than if he sells a smaller amount. Coincidently, I have noticed that dealers who do handle articles which are advertised seem to grow and expand.

I have often wondered if it isn't because the goods which they see on their own shelves remind them constantly of the forward-looking work which is being done by the manufacturer of those goods, thus setting an example for greater industry.

I know that if I want to buy a barrel of flour or a very large sack of flour I can buy it cheaper than I can buy a ten or twenty-five pound sack. My storekeeper can do the same thing in buying his merchandise. I have heard my husband talk often enough on the question of small profits and rapid turnovers to know that it isn't the dealer who makes the long profit that gets ahead but the one one who makes the small profit and turns his capital over and over. But this is not the only benefit I get in buying from a storekeeper who sells his customers goods which are advertised. The goods I buy are fresher and newer and I feel that because many of them have been advertised for years they are more dependable.

For how could people continue to buy them if they were not? And how could the manufacturers continue to advertise them if they did not buy?

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The Me-Hi News

By WILLIE WRIGHT

Literary Society

Thursday afternoon the Walkmar Literary Society composed of the students of the Sophomore and Senior Classes met in the study hall of the High School building with its President, Marvin Bennett presiding. The program presented by the Public Speaking class was a drill in Parliamentary Law. Everyone enjoyed the program very much. The White Society will meet next Thursday afternoon.

Track Season Open.

Taking advantage of the sunshine and delightful climatic conditions for the past three days Coach Dawson has been working on his track material for the coming year. All of the equipment has not been put in place as yet because o fsome business matters that have to be attended to.

Seven or eight likely candidates have been out for positions in the field events but as Coach Dawson has not issued a call for track men up to date it is a rather tedious undertaking to name the probable representatives for M. H. S.

The Coach also puts a bug in our ear about a little trip to the big burg of Waco, headquarters for "By Heck" and Company, to participate in the Baylor Invitation Meet on the 7th and 8th of April. We'll be there full blast and a "rarin' to go."

The County Meet will be held in Groesbeck on the 31st of March. According to the Coach's way of thinking we will have only one opponent in the meet and that is Coolidge. If you all remember right they won the County Basket Ball championship from us by a small markin and we are sure gonna see that they don't beat us in this meet.

Baseball Season.

Coach Dawson expects to have quite a few pitchers out slinging the old pill up and down the "big alley" in about two weeks. A good many of the boys are already complaining of stiff fingers, sore thumbs or something of that kind that is associated with baseball. He also reports that he has several games scheduled up to date.

Spanish Club.

On Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 28th the students of the second year Spanish classes met in Mrs. Johnson's room to organize a Spanish Club. The name "La Romeria" was selected by popular vote and the following officers were elected:

Robert Storey, President.
W. B. Kendrick, Vice President.
Lucille Kinnison, Sec'y-Treas.
Oree Stephens, Parliamentarian.
Constitution and By-Laws Committee:
Christelle Mullins.
Euleta Sharpe.
Gerald Upton.
Oree Stephens.
Program Committee:
Jack McKinney.
Jesse Mae Sherrer.
Marie Boyd.
Ora Clubb.

Sportorials.

Sophs beat the Fish in a baseball game yesterday taking the big end of a 12 to 1 score. There were many boneheads pulled on both teams but the inability of the Fish in fielding lost the game for them.

Jesse McLendon says that the work in proper will start on about the 15th. He says that then he will have some place to go instead of the office.

Waco in April. We hope to have a good track team representing M. H. S. All of the High Schools in the state are eligible for the meet and things will be pretty hot I imagine but we'll be there, you bet.

He. "This tunnel we just passed through cost a million dollars."

She. "It was an absolute waste as far as you aer concerned."

Sea Captain (to one of the passengers leaning over ship's rail) "S'matter M'lad? Weak stomach?"

Passenger. "Doin' it,

Passenger. "Doon if I ain't throwing it as far as the rest of em!"

I called my love by radio,
In hopes that she would hear,
I asked her if she'd marry me
And signed it "Billy Dear."

Oh, sad is my predicament,--
indeed a sorry mess;
When I tuned in my receivers,
I heard forty answers, "Yes!"

When

By WILLIE WRIGHT

When you're feeling kinda lonesome
And you're feeling sorta blue,
And the world seems to be
Onthe ins and out with you.
Did you ever stop to think
That no good man's on the blink.
Stop and think, lad, stop and think.

When the sky is dark and dreary
And the wind is blowing cold;
Always do the right thing lad,
Show your mettle and be bold.
And when you want to show
The gang a thing or so
Be sure you know, a... sure you
And cast you from that rdeer,
Just because you're unlucky
And just because you're poor
But never be blue
Over the things they do
Be true, lad, be true.

When your heart seems to stop beating
And your throat feels parched and dry,
And you get so dog hearted
That you most break down and cry
Now don't give up but vow
That you'll keep right behind the plow
Do it now, lad, do it now.

When some folks harsh words
Kills ambitions little flower
Just say to yourself
There will be a brighter hour.
And when yo are wont to curse
Remember you're not the first
Stick through the worst, lad, through
the worst.

So let them drink and be merry
For tomorrow they may pine
For he's not always the happiest
Who drinks the choicest wine.
Though all the while
You ga many a mile
Always smile, lad, always smile.

Nuts From The Banana Tree

They sat on the steps at midnight.
Their lips were tightly pressed
The old man gave the signal
And the bulldog did the rest.

Tulsa Citizen Takes Stock In Cotton Mill Here

M. Lebow, a prominent citizen of Tulsa, Oklahoma, and a man interested in royalty holdings in the Mexia field, was here the week just closed. George Petty, president of the Chamber of Commerce, stated that while here, he was seen with reference to the Cotton Mill for this city and gladly subscribed $500 for stock in the enerprise. His act quickly became known to a large number of Mexia citizens who have high words of praise for Mr. Lebow. Mr. Lebow is understood to have profited considerably because of his investments in the Mexia oil field and now that he has seen proper to leave another sum invested in an industrial enterprise here, friends point out, he is going to continue to reap rewards in another line. It s a source of much cheer to Limestnoe county citizens to see citizens whose residence is elsewhere leaving some of the capital here raised in the county in which it was made. Mr. Lebow, Mexia appreciates your fine example.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Because of expected increase in tourist travel to this city the leading hotels are constructing large additions. The Hotel Regis will have 100 new rooms in several months besides other modern imporvements. Also the bar is being enlarged.

MEXICO CITY, Mexio.—General "Pancho" Villa, former famed chieftain, has announced that he will not establish a private bank at Parral as planned because the federal government will establish a national bank.

Humphreys Gun Club In Handicap Shoot

(By Chester Field)

There has been in our midst for several weeks an organization and a branch of sports that are enjoyed by all men that love the smell of powder (no not talcum) but real powder that pushes. This is the Humphreys Gun Club that has been sponsored by the employees of the Humphreys Oil Co., of our city.

Geo. Prendergast is pocatily due much credit for this organization, while Geo. very modestly denies any leadership yet it was he that mentioned the club to the reporter and several of our friends and so it seems that to him must fall some recognition. Mr. Prendergast states that Glen Kahle and Pete Urschel have been foremost in this matter as also all of the Humphreys' employees and that it is a mutual organization and they wish each and every citizen of Mexia that enjoys trap shooting to avail themselves of this privielge and join them.

The first open shoot to be held by the club took place Saturday afternoon at their club house and shooting grounds South of the Humphreys office building and just East of the Hughes-Walker teaming grounds on South Belknap.

This was a handicap shoot and five money prizes were awarded, first being $10.00 in cash and 2nd and down to fifth prize of $2.00.

All Mexia citizens that wish to join the Gun Club will kindly phone Geo. Prendergast at 136.

If any fear their art has lost some of its cunning we will state that Jno. Sweatt has forced the management to move a flock of barns just in range that at first he could not hit but that he finally filled one of the doors with three center shots—hence the moving order.

The Humphreys Polo Club plays the Groesbeck Wonders on next Sunday at the Groesbeck club grounds and a very fast game is promised Captain Hommie Haines gives the following line up: 1st position, Gilbert Savelr; 2nd Geo. Prendergast; 3rd Weems Craig; and 4th Capt. Tom Haines. All friends are invited down to Groesbeck Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m., March 4th.

RUN RIO SHOW

MILES W. VAUGHN

United Press Staff Correspondent.

RIO DE JANEIRO.—The Brazilian Centenary Exposition will close at midnight, March 31, and will open one minute later to continue for three months—probably under a new name.

This official announcement was made by Dr. Antonio Olyntho, commissioner general of the United States, Colonel D. C. Collier.

So far the exposition has not been a financial success but the new commissioner general who was appointed by the minister of justice to replace Dr. Ferreira Ramos of San Paulo believes that he can put it on a paying basis.

This is the reson for the technical closing of the exposition on the date scheduled—March 31. When the present exposition closes all contracts for its operation will expire automatically—and new contracts will be signed at lower figures.

In reality, of course, the Exposition will not close at all, and the action of the commissioner general constitutes merely an extension of the closing date until June 30.

Decision to prolong the big show was caused by several factors:

Attendance has not been entirely satisfactory and the managers believe that they can draw big crowds during the final three months of overtime.

Countries who inaugurated their pavillions late argued that they would not receive adequate recompense for their expenses if the show closed at the end of March. These countries include two of the closest friends of Brazil—the United States and Portugal.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Automobile races are being staged here on a track recently constructed. Cars from the United States won the first race.

JAPAN IS ABOUT TO RECOGNIZE SOVIETS OF RUSSIA

By CLARENCE DUBOSE

(United Press Staff Correspondent)

TOKYO (By mail to United Press.) For the third time Japan and Russian are trying to reach a commercial agreement—which, if made, will ultimately lead to Japan's diplomatic recognition to the Moscow government, the Russians believe.

Abram Abramovitch Joffe Moscow's envoy to Peking and, in general, the Soviet ambassador in the Far East, has come to Tokyo "on a personal visit and unofficial mission" which, of course, is intended to pave the way to an understanding which will lead to official parleys.

Joffe was invited to visit Japan by Vicount Gotto, Mayor of Tokyo, a very influential Japanese leader, and a possible next Premier of Japan. Goto is president of the Russo-Japanese Society here and in a strong influence for a more liberal policy toward Russia.

At the same time Toshihiko Kawakami, a Japanese diplomat, has been sent on a special mission to Moscow, and has returned to Tokyo favorably disposed toward resumption of Japanese-Russian(relations, Kawagami was formerly Japanese Consul General at Warsaw and Consul General at Moscow, at Harbin and at other Siberian cities. He speaks Russian, is one ties on Russian affairs. His recommendations to the Tokyo government, coupled with Joffe's personal appearance here, indicate that tentative understandings are under way.

"We cannot afford for a third Russian conference to fail," a Foreign Office official said to the United Press.

"The conference at Dairen between Japan and the Far Eastern Republic and the conference at Changihung between Japan the Soviet government of Moscow and the Far Eastern Republic both failed Now the Far Eastern Republic is no more. Siberia is under Moscow. If there is a third conference Japan must know, before entering it, that an agreement will be reached."

Which means that the manouvering going on now is an effort to erach a Japanses-Russian agreement and then to call a formal conference to make it official.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Mexican oil fields' exports during 1922 totaled 187,436,249.32 barrels.

Attention

PROSPECTIVE HOME BUYERS

—We have homes for sale at Real Bargains, for the simple fact that several Oil Men built these homes and their business calls them elsewkere. For this reason they are willing to make a sacrifice, and as we all know there is to be a large $400,000 Cotton Mill built here, it will be well for you to see us at once and buy one of these homes which can be sold on easy terms.

J. REX FORREST

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PHONE 413

NOTICE!

This is to give notice that the Cigar and Tobacco business heretofore conducted by the undersigned at 824 East Commerce St., under the name of the Mexia Cigar & Tobacco Co., has been sold to Berry-Barnett Grocery Co., who have taken the business over and are now Wholesale Distributors of the well known and popular brands of cigars, embracing the famour Y. B.'s, Loveras, Portinas and other well known and popular brands, featured by me in the past.

I want to take this occasion to express to the numerous dealers in Mexia and surrounding territory covered by me my cordial good will and sincere appreciation for the splendid patronage enjoyed at their hands and to express the hope that there may be no abatement in their interest in this popular line of merchandise. Berry-Barnett Grocery Co. are too well and favorably known in this territory to need any commendation at my hands, as their long and faithful service to the trade is sufficient guarantee of courteous treatment and fair dealing and I am very much gratified that my line has fallen into such splendid hands.

Again thanking my friends and customers for their many courtesies and loyal support, I beg to remain, with best wishes,

Very cordially,

C. H. NAMAN.

Referring to the above notice, we wish to say that in acquiring the distribution of this popular line of Cigars, we feel that we have added a real asset to our business and we shall endeavor to serve the trade in an entirely efficient and satisfactory manner. We earnestly bespeak your continued good will and patronage and offer you in return the best service at our command.

Very respectfully,

BERRY-BARNETT GROCERY CO

The Spring's Most Striking Costume for the Street —Extremely Clever!

Costume Suits

These bid fair to be the most popular fashion of the early spring months—and since the coat removed leaves a dress complete it is easy to predict a full summer's service. The smartest modes are here at very moderate prices—navy, tan, gray and every varying shade of trimming.

$39.50 to $119.50

Modish Two Piece Suits

Tailored Suits, we presume they would be termed, yet they are possessed of smart little touches that make them amazing different. Models of fine Twills are embroidered, braided, or plainly tailored. Models for sports wear are fashioned of Camel's Hair, Tweeds, and Velour Checks—some with plain color box coats and contrasting plaid skirts. Included are exceptionally smart navy, gray or tan to be worn with Patterned Crepe Blouses.

$24.50 to $69.50

Suit Blouses of Patterned Crepe

The popularity of the Persian Patterned and India Poiret Blouse is its artful service in completing the tailored suit and creating the smart costume suit effect—New arrivals:

$4.95 to $14.95

W. A. JACKSON CO.

"THE STORE AHEAD"

Ladies Friday Club Holds Patriotic Services March 2nd

Lomax Pleases With Talk On Folk Lore

The Friday Club met in open session at the Elks Club rooms on last Friday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock. Each member of the club invited a friend, the American Legion was asked to attend and other close friends and former members of the Club were present. Miss Karner and Mrs. Needham acted as ushers.

Mrs. W. M. White had charge of the program for the afternoon. The date being Texas Independence Day the program was planned accordingly.

The club rooms were most artistically decorated, the state and national flags and colors predominating. Every part of the hall was brightened and made symbolic of the day.

Mrs. Reynolds, president of the Club called the meeting to order. The roll call of members was answered by remarks and quotations on patriotism and citizenship.

After canceling all business matters of the club for the day Mrs. Reynolds in her own original and affable way, made a short but pleasant address of welcome to the guests, especially mentioning Mrs. Shulz, the founder of the club and Mr. John A. Lomax, the feature speaker of the afternoon. Mrs. White then took charge of the program and is to be congratulated on her perfectly planned numbers, each number fitting in charmingly and making a thoroughly enjoyable and well rounded whole.

Each person participating touched their topics with a spicy eloquence a veritable all-star cast, as it were.

The music directed by Mrs. Hatch was well rendered and most appropriate.

The program was as follows:

Song: America—Audience.

Woman's Relation to the City and Municipal Government—Mrs. Bolton.

Cowboy Songs of Texas—John A. Lomax, president of the ex-students, association of the University, and secretary of the Texas Folk Lore Society.

Sonk: The Eyes of Texas Are upon You"—club.

Patriotism—Mrs. Robert Nunn.

Piano: Patriotic Medley—Mrs. Needham.

Song: Texas Land, My Texas Land —Club.

Tribute paid to soldiers of yesterday and today—Miss Francis Bass.

Song: Star Spangled Banner—club

The real treat of the afternoon was the talk given by Mr. John A. Lomax, student of Texas folk lroe. Mr. Lomax's manner was a perfectly easy one, unassuming but majestic. His interpretation of the cowboy's verses and songs were excellent, holding his audience's attention completely. Mr. Lomax has been gathering this folk lore of the plains for many years and the humor, the pathos, the wide range of feeling and beauty found in many, if not all of his collection, proves that he has saved a wonderful thing when he has saved this prized collection of the folk lore of Texas.

Mrs. Reynolds in closing the meeting expressed the sentiments of the Club and its guests in saying the afternoon had been a thoroughly enjoyable affair. A short business meeting was held by the club after the departure of the guests. In adjusting the expenses of the finishing up of the Library, Miss Katharine McGraill, sister in law of J. K. Hughes, very graciously gave the Club a check for the expense of the lights of the Libary for which the Club gave her a rising vote of thanks.

The regular meeting of the Eastern Stars will be held Monday night at 7:30 at the Masonic Hall here. Initiation services will be held and all members are urged to attend.

THE KIDDIE'S CAUSE

Our Boys

We see boys of all sizes around us,
Upon mischief and fun their minds bent;
You show me a boy without mischief,
I'll show you one not worth a cent.

What some would call 'mean-ness' is boyhood
Brim full of 'pep,' energy, joy;
And all that they need is just someone
Who knows how to handle a boy.

To bring out the best that is in them,
One must their every minute employ;
With work time and play time used rightly
You'll develop a wonderful boy.

The boys are all good for God made them,
To grow into men before long;
It's all in the way that we train them
Whether they will be weakly or strong.

The men of today who are leaders,
Tomorrow may sicken and die;
Then what of the boy who'll replace him,
Does the thought bring you joy or a sigh?

I meet boys every day who are anxious
To a Troop of Boy Scouts to belong;
Who's to blame if they fall into mischief,
And suppose it's your boy that goes wrong?

I'm sad to say here in our City
I can't view the problem with joy;
For it seems that the men are too busy
To take up their time with the boy.

Our boys are the men of tomorrow,
Help to fill their young hearts full of joy;
Grant that someone who reads this may offer
His service in training the boy.

—Mrs. Louella Brown

Mexia, Texas.

Club Girls Given $200 Scholarships

COLLEGE STATION, Texas, March 3.—Four Texas girls who led in the club work during the past year have been named to receive scholarships vaule dat $200 in any college of Texas that they may select to attend next year.

The girls are: Grace Morgan of Hamilton county; Bernice Smith of Argyle, R. F. D. 1, Denton, county; Alda Cornelius, Waxahachie, R. F. D. C, Ellis county; and Ramal Butler, Oklaunion, Wilbarger county.

These girls were selected by a committee of home demonstration agents of the A. & M. College of Texas on a basis o fthe work that they did during the year which closed last November, and also on their exhibits made at the Texas State Fair at Dallas last fall. The scholarships were given through the State Fair Association. Two other girls have been named as second choice and will be eligible to receive scholarships that may not be accepted by the other girls.

The four girls selected represent the four difefrent grade year's work given as a course of training by the Home Demonstration agents of the Extension Service of A. & M. College. The girls in the order that they are mentioned above were in the first, second, third and fourth year courses. The fourth year completes the course in club work and the graduate is given a diploma.

Mr. and Mrs. James Blair Harris and children, James, Jr., and Mary Lynn, left the early part of the week for Dallas where they will make their home hereafter. Mr. Harris for many months has been oil editor of The News and the family won many friends while here. In church and in civic affairs they will be deeply missed. He was the first President of the Salesmanship Culb and saw that organization develop into one of the livest organizations of its kind in Texas. Mr. Harris was a very versatile writer and he will be particularly missed by readers of the News. He is now connected with an oil company in which he is interested and will make his permanent headquarters in Dallas. Before leaving, he assured many of his friends that he would be here often and occasionally articles from his pen will be published in The News. Both Mr. and Mrs. Harris expressed much atatchment for Mexia and regret that they were leaving the city which had fastened itself upon them so pronouncedly.

FOR SALE—Full blood bull pup, black with white markings, bout 4 months old. Apply at 600 East Sumpter St. 4d4J

HOME HINTS

Cloves vs. Paraffin.

It is said that four or five cloves on top of jelly after it hardens will prevent formation of mould.

For a Cut

Raw starch is a good remedy for a cut that is not serious. Wet it and apply as soon as possible.

Embroidery

The good embroiderer has no knots showing on the back of her piece of fancy work. She runs teh thread along the material when she starts a fresh length and then works over the new end.

Will Prevent "Ladders."

If your silk stocking starts to ravel when you are visiting and it is inconvenient to mend it, rub a little moistened soap on the end of the run and it will hold until you have time to darn it.

Before sending for a carpenter when a door sticks, see if the screws of the hinges are tight. Frequently that is all that is the matter, and a screwdriver will quickly remedy the trouble. Should the door refuse to hold up with just this tightening, try replacing the screws with the next size larger.

UNDELIVERED TELEGRAMS

Burma, Dr.
Brice, Allison.
Duffy, C. C.
Deson, Bert.
Fields, Bert.
Goldschmidt, Erwin B.
Harris, James B.
Hardin, Dave.
Jones, D. R.
Lee, Dr. Blanc B.
Oliver, Mrs. C. H.
Riley, C. W.
Rodins, Mrs. George.
Smith, Jesse.
Thompson, A. W.
Ventuyl, Thomas B., Jr.

Harold Adamson, an attendant of the "Allen Academy" of Bryan, Texas, came home Saturday evening to spend a few days with his father and mother Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Adamson. He claims to be a little sick, but we opine it was more home sickness than otherwise.

George H. Craig, now of Texline, Texas, but fo ra good while a citizen of Mexia came Friday to remove his family to that city, and they left for their new home Saturday evening, attended by the best wishes of their many friends.

Mrs. R. C. West of Dallas visited friends here the past week.

Jesse McLendon

Real Estate -- Leases -- Royalties

McLendon Building - 'Phone 1

You Can Buy a House from Me and Pay for It Like Paying Rent!

FOR SALE

36-room Hotel on Titus St., will sell for cash....$2100.00
6-room house and 2 large lots facing new High School Building....$3500.00
3-room house on Kaufman St, well located....$ 500.00
Large Iron Garage 75x115, close in....$3250.00
Large 12-room 2-story residence on Ross Ave. Will trade for farm.
75-foot Lot Commerce St....$1000.00
4-room House, Main St....$1000.00
3-room House, Titus St., close in....$ 900.00
7-room House, practically new, Ross Ave....$3500.00
6-room House, 75-foot lot, Titus St....$3500.00
30-room Hotel....On Terms
8-room House, well located to trade for farm.
2-story Garage, Milam St....$1750.00
Lots $10.00 cash, balance monthly payments.

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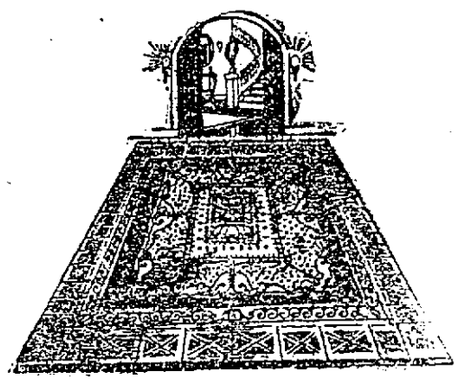
150 acres of land, 10 miles south, per acre....$ 30.00
73 acres one mile west of town, per acre....$100.00
40 acres of land, 2 miles NE., per acre....$ 60.00
144 acres, one mile east, per acre....$100.00
1000 acres, 10 miles SE., per acre....$ 20.00
50 acres, Shiloh, per acre....$100.00
Will buy or sell Humphreys Stock.

Will trade good land for Mexia property.

JESSE McLENDON



RUGS

—Within the last few days we have received several shipments of Rugs and Linoleums which was bought by our buyer while in the furniture market in January.

—Our selection consists of the best patterns to be had throughout the rug market and the prices are as good as can be found anywhere.

—While the stock is complete why not come in and make your selection and if you are not ready for delivery we will hold same for you until called for.

—If not in a position to pay all cash ask about our terms plan. If you pay your accounts promptly we shall be glad to have your business on that basis.

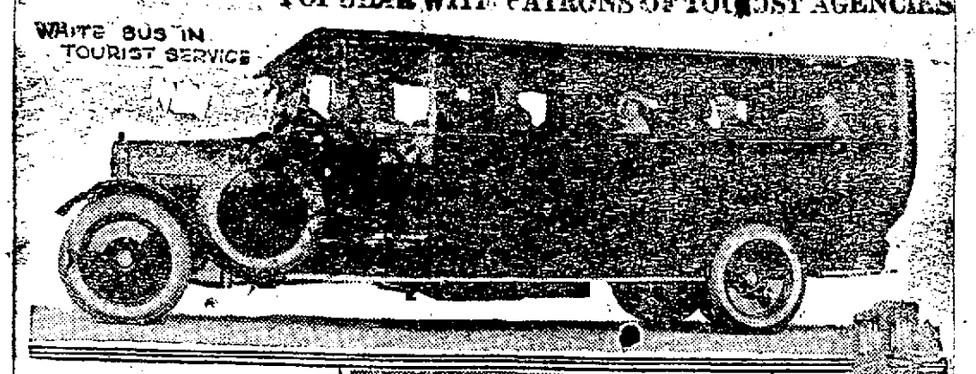
Remember we are prepared to furnish your house from kitchen to front porch and want your business.

—Our line of Bed Room Furniture is the largest and most attractive to be found in this part of the state.

J. I. Riddle & Co.

THE BIG NEW FURNITURE STORE
309-11 EAST COMMERCE ST., MEXIA, TEXAS

LUXURIOUS MOTOR BUSSES FOR LONG TRIPS ARE POPULAR WITH PATRONS OF TOURIST AGENCIES



"THE MOHAWK" LEAVING BOSTON ON TRIP TO FLORIDA.

The tourist agency that books you for a trip around the world by rail and water has now completed the transportation trinity by installing luxurious motor bus equipment for the carrying of tourists over the many famous scenic highways of the country. The tourist agency of George E. Marsters, Inc., of Boston and New York inaugurated this mode of travel with much success last July by placing in service the touring limousine Mohawk. The coach was routed on regular runs over the Mohawk Trail, through the Adirondacks; to Montreal; through the White mountains and down the Shenandoah valley. These long distance bus tours deluxe met with instant favor and on the eighteen trips run from Boston to Montreal and over the Mohawk Trail there never was a vacant seat either on the outgoing or return trips. In six months the bus has covered more than 14,000 miles.

The success attending the initial bus tours conducted by Marsters led to the purchase of additional White Model 50 busses which will be used in greatly extending the company's motor bus touring program.

The Mohawk busses comfortably seat 19 passengers and have been pronounced by experts as the finest and most luxurious cars of their class in America.

Early in December Marsters conducted a party of tourists in the Mohawk from Boston to Jacksonville and other Florida points. The car will be operated between Jacksonville and Miami during the winter and on April 12 will leave Jacksonville with a party of tourists for the north. Next summer the tourist agency will have at least three touring limousines in operation and possibly more on regular schedules throughout New England.

Humphreys Gun Club In Handicap Shoot

(By Chester Field)

There has been in our midst for several weeks an organization and a branch of sports that are enjoyed by all men that love the smell of powder (no not talcum) but real powder that pushes. This is the Humphreys Gun Club that has been sponsered by the employees of the Humphreys Oil Co., of our city.

Geo. Prendergast is possibly due much credit for this organization, while Geo. very modestly denies any leadership yet it was he that mentioned the club to the reporter and several of our friends and so it seems that to him must fall some recognition. Mr. Prendergast states that Glen Kahle and Pete Urschel have been foremost in this matter as also all of the Humphreys' employees and that it is a mutual organization and they wish each and every citizen of Mexia that enjoys trap shooting to avail themselves of this privielge and join them.

The first open shoot to be held by the club took place Saturday afternoon at their club house and shooting grounds South of the Humphreys office building and just East of the Hughes-Walker teaming grounds on South Belknap.

This was a handicap shoot and five money prizes were awarded, first being $10.00 in cash and 2nd and down to fifth prize of $2.00.

All Mexia citizens that wish to join the Gun Club will kindly phone Geo. Prendergast at 136.

If any fear their art has lost some of its cunning we will state that Jno. Sweatt has forced the management to move a flock of barns just in range that at first he could not hit but that he finally filled one of the doors with three center shots—hence the moving order.

The Humphreys Polo Club plays the Groesbeck Wonders on next Sunday at the Groesbeck club grounds and a very fast game is promised Captain Hommie Haines gives the following line up: 1st position, Gilbert Sevier; 2nd Geo. Prendergast; 3rd Weems Craig; and 4th Capt. Tom Haines. All friends are invited down to Groesbeck Sunday afternoon at 3 p. m., March 4th.

OIL

In the Powell field, the J. O. Burke No. 2 of the Humphreys Oil Co. is drilling in hard rock at 2559. The Burke No. 1 of Corsicana Oil and Refining Co. is shut down at 1070 changing a rotary.

Humphreys Kenner 1 is drilling around 1670 in Gumbo; Humphreys G. Springfield is drilling at 2489 fett. The J. H. Burke discovery well is swedging and cleaning out at 3570, total depth 2968.

Trapshooter Reilly spudded in on the Reed No. 1 Saturday.

The Atlanta Oil and Refining Co. is also preparing to spud in on the Renner, as is also the Magnolia Burke 1.

The J. K. Hughes Developing Co.'s Burke 1 is rigging up.

Love Brothers Towne 1 is rigging up.

Trapshooter Warren's No. 1 is drilling at 1000 feet.

Petroleum Producers Warren No. 1 is shut down at 300 feet, waiting for surface casing.

The Kosse Field.

The Humphreys Bassett 1 is drilling at 5080 feet.

Jones No. 2 drilling at 3470 looking for casing seat.

Chief Scout Haines states with much pelasure, that thru the tireless and systematic efforts of Glen Kahle and Pete Urschel of the Production Department of the Humphreys Oil Co. that the production of this company has been raised from a daily average of around 23,000 barrels to around 26,000 barrels. And this thru the addition of no new wells. Simply a case of knowing what and how and doing it. This is a feature of the oil development of this great Mexia concern that Colonel Humphreys is very proud of and has mentioned to a number of his personal friends—that is the comparative production showing and which he attributes to his officials

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HOUSTON.—C. L. Bering, Houston sportsman, has a sea gull which he claims to have caught with a hook and line. "I fastened the hook in a shrimp and hooked the gull in the tip of the beak," Bering said.

MEXICO CITY, Mexico.—Stock of henequin in United States formerly held by the Monetaria has been sold to the Exportadora of Yucatan. The stock totals about 100,000 bales.

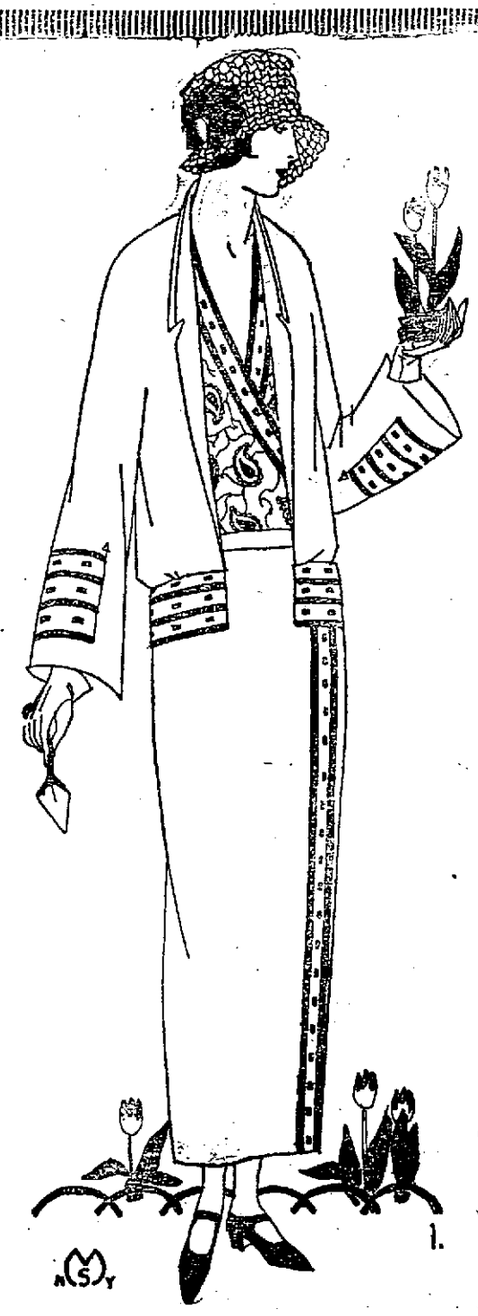
ATTENTION KLANSMEN

REGULAR MEETING MEXIA KLAN NO. 47
MONDAY NIGHT, MARCH 5th, 7:30

All Members Are Commanded to be present.
All visiting Klansmen are urged to attend.

INITIATION AND IMPORTANT BUSINESS
TWO PROMINENT SPEAKERS

Klan Hall, East Commerce St.



HICKMAN'S

—You'll experience real delight in selecting from our showing of

New Spring Vogues

—HICKMAN'S Ready-to-wear Department is aglow with the new things of Spring.

Capes

—Fashion says that capes are the correct wraps for Spring. And if she could take a peep into our ready-to-wear department she would add that her highest ideals for the season had been realized in these showings.

Dresses

—If you haven't visited our dress department then you have missed a treat. Good dressers tell us that we have the most beautiful line to be found in town. They are fashioned in all the new crepes and silks and the trimmings are new and beautiful.

Suits

Are you planning a trip for the spring or summer? You'll certainly need a suit. We have the little two and three piece suits, fashioned of twill that can be worn during any season. They are being shown on our balcony floor.

In Our Piece Goods Department

Toile du Nord Ginghams
32-inches wide; in assorted colors; small and medium check and plaid patterns; splendid quality; per yard ---------- **35c**

Red Seal Ginghams
27-inches wide; good sturdy quality dress ginghams; pretty assortment of new spring patterns in all wanted combinations. Per yard ---------- **25c**

Stoffels Imported Organdy
Crisp new organdy; bright spring colors for the warm days just ahead. Quality is very fine and comes in pieces, 45 inches wide, yard ---------- **$1.00**

Renfrew Devonshire Cloth
Fine for making children's wear and ladies' frocks. 32 inches wide in colors which are very pretty for spring. Yard ---------- **39c**

French and Tissue Gingham
Now is the time to prepare for that spring sewing. Here's mighty good suggestions. French and Tissue Ginghams in all the colors of Spring time; remarkably good value at, yard ---------- **59c**

New Ratine
We have a wonderful assortment of ratine for spring wear. Very desirable for making sport clothes and street dresses. Yard, 65¢ to ---------- **$3.00**

HICKMAN'S

"LADIES AND CHILDREN'S SHOP"

Cheeves Bros. & Company

"Free Silverware with Your Purchases"

Monday Specials at Cheeves

All day Monday we offer the following prices on standard merchandise, up-stairs and in our Economy Basement.

HUCK TOWELS EACH 11c—50 dozen Huck towels, red border, nice size and worth much more; on sale Monday, 11c each, or $1.25 per dozen.

BATH TOWELS EACH 25c—20 dozen Bath towels, size 20x40, an extra good value, special Monday at 25c each.

COTTON NAPKINS, PER DOZEN $1.19—A good napkin for every day use; size 18 inches and priced very special Monday at $1.19 per dozen.

SPECIALS IN OUR ECONOMY BASEMENT FOR MONDAY!

10 quart blue granite water pails at	$1.00
10 quart galvanized water pails at only	30c
60 pieces gray granite ware, special Monday only at	19c
70 pieces gray granite ware; special prices Monday only at	29c
Bleached crepe napkins, 13½x13½ at per hundred	15c
Half bleached cape style napkins, at per thousand	75c
Full bleached sanitary package crepe napkins (Cream of the Forest) 2 dozen for	10c
Pearl White waxed lunch paper, 30 sheets 12x14 at	5c
Large assortment Toilet soap, the very best for the price	5c
Lightning mouse trap at 3 for	10c
Number One wash tubs at	95c
Number 2 wash tubs, medium size at	85c

Don't Forget Our Economy Basement If It's For The Household

Phone 19 Phone 19

CHEEVES BROS. & CO.

"MEXIA'S GREATEST STORE"

L. V. Majors New Exalted Ruler Mexia B. P. O. E.

Other Officers Elected at Meeting Friday

At the regular meeting of Mexia Lodge No. 1449 B. P. O. Elks held at the home Friday night the following officers were elected for the year 1923-24:

L. V. Majors, Exalted Ruler.

G. Roy Flynn, Esteemed Leading Knight

Herbert Jacobs, Esteemed Loyal Knight.

Elton B. Mosely, Esteemed Lecturling Knight.

Frank A. Duke, Treasurer.

Chas. L. Clover, Secretary (re-elected.)

Kyle Stewart, Tiler.

C. S. Bradley, of Groesbeck, Trustee for one year.

Jesse McLendon, Trustee for two years.

J. K. Hughes, Trustee for three years.

Frank C. Bolton, Delegate to Grand Lodge.

L. V. Majors, Alternate.

These officers will be installed at the first meeting in April at which time the installation ceremonies will be under the direction of a members of the Grand Lodge. L. V. Majors the newly eelcted Exalted Ruler is one of the original dimiting members of the Charter class of last May and is well versed in matters partaining to Elkdom.

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CONWAY TEARLE RESCUES ELAINE HAMMERSTEIN FROM RIVER

Perhaps you are tired of desert scenes taken out in the wildernesses of Long Island; of hectic snow storms staged in warm, comfortable studios; of swirling, mad rivers that come from high powered fire hoses? Perhaps you are tired of card-board mountains and papier mache landscapes? Then you will be delighted to see the real thing in "One Week of Love," coming here tomorrow to play at the National theater.

"One Week of Love" will take you art into the mountains of Mexico made not by studio carpenters, but by the hand of God. The flaming vistas of prairie and desert are old as Eternity itself; and the rivers are real rivers that have flown since the Great Glacier retreated from our American soil. Every scene meant to be staged outdoors was with the great natural background sacting as studio accessories. The script called for Mexico and the Great Southwest. And Lewis J. Selznick who produced the picture ordered his company out to the places specified in ih sstory. The resulting picture is therefore one of the most beautiful and realistic ever made; the desedts are real and not make believe; the storms were staged by that greatest wizard of all, Dame Nature; and there wasn't a fire hose around in miles when the river scenes were taken.

In the making of "One Week of Love" great risks were incurred; players, directors and cameramen did not escape unscathed. Elaine Hammerstein, one of the stars of the production almost lost her life in the swirling rapids of a river where scenes were taken. Had it not been for Conway Tearle, the other star of the production, she might not be thanking her lucky stars today. Mr. Tearle, an accomplished swimmer, did some real heroics in the emergency and Miss Hammerstein was fetched form what appeared to be almost ceretain death. These things only go to show to what lengths a motion picture company will sometimes go to get real effectiveness into the celluloid. It is like the biulding of a great bridge that spans a mighty river; until the bridge is completed, every man stands by his task facing death with a cheerful grin and a stolid bravery. He knows that the completed bridge is worth the risks. And so is it with Mr. Selznick's "One Week of Love." The completed production is worth all the chances taken.

Even Miss Hammerstein will tell you that.

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CONWAY TEARLEE AND AN DELAINE HAMMERSTEIN IN "ONE WEEK OF LOVE" AT THE NATIONAL

In "One Week of Love," which comes to the National theater tomorrow film patrons of this city are in for a hilarious time of it. The picture is quite the most exciting and impressive piece of work that has been threatening to explode upon us for weeks. Certainly Myron Selznick, who produced the picture has never sent us anything quite so enthralling.

Here are the ingredients that make the picture one of unusual appeal: A twin-starring combination, Elaine Hammerstein and Conway Tearle, playing together for the first time; a story by Edward J. Montagne that one may call really "big" without blushing in embarrassment; direction by George Archainbaud that fulfills all former promises made by this imaginative Franchman; and a supporting cast that is not dwarfed even by the full-power starring combination.

The picture is in accordance with the Selznick company's new-hatched policy: That of producing "big" stories only with crowded star casts. The company has put its best foot forward in this case, and it is to be hoped that they will make others fully as good. Will Hays is not the only one who will applaud "One Week of Love."

The story concerns a society girl who suddenly tires of the earth and vapidly pleasures and decides to take a jaunt in an aeroplane. Unfortunately, she flies in the same spirit that she dances; and when he plane accidentally comes down to earth, a lot of her high-faultin' notions come down with her. She lands right in a nest of outlaws, the chief of whom is a sort of a Captain Kidd of the mountains.

From this point on the story is conclusively and totally absorbing so that one wishes for an extra eye to view all the goings-on. The girl, far from being a mechanical doll that does as it is told, evinces a spirit that is at once audacious and courageous. Nevertheless, she has a battle and a half on her hands trying to ward off this God's-Country Sheik. To give away the story before it has received the key to ou reity would be doind it a great injustice. We can only say that it is a splendid example of the motion picture at its best and is its own excuse for being.

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It is a strictly up-to-date story that is unfolded in "One Week of Love," the Selznick production that will be seen at the National theater for three days beginning Monday. The heroine is a modern girl—brave, resourceful and quick-witted—a regular fighting flapper. Miss Elaine Hammerstein, star of "One Week of Love," says that the role of Beth Wynn is one of the most interesting and certainly the most exciting she ever has played.

As for the hero, he is not 100 per cent perfect American manhood. Women movie fans don't like the Model Hero any more. And so the leading man played by Conway Tearle in "One Week of Love," is a Bad Man. In fact, he is a Cave Man. Naturally, in the final rade-out, he wins the girl.

Tombs Raided for Spring Styles

By HEDDA HOYT
Fashion Editor of the United Press
(Written for the United Press)

NEW YORK, March 3.—If the women of the United States aren't arrayed more elaborately than the wives of Old King Tut, the Aztec princesses or the Chinese gods during the spring season, it won't be the fault of the International Silk Exhibitors.

The huge Grand Central Palace has been turned into an Arabian Night's dream in which one wanders thru 150 booths of marvelously draped silks, ranging from the old taffetas of our grandmother's days to the latest silks of 1923, which are printed batiks, tie-dyes and copies of Egyptian designs unearthed after 3,000 years of burial.

One wanders into a tomb-like booth filled with luxurious fabrics printed in horizontal effect, with rows of wild animals and lion-draperied men and suddenly a dapper salesman startles one by saying that these materials are replicas of those worn in Pharaoh's time. Then from out the ancient looking drapery a sleek, tall girl with flat black hair and finger nails stained with henna emerges in a 1923 frock of this Pharaoh material.

Further along, in the various booths motion picture stars gowned in silks of Arabian, Chinese, Egyptian and Navajo designs appear in fashion pagents.

One imagines that the whole fashion world has gone print mad for there is scarcely a material which is not covered with hieroglyphics or figures. Some of the designs are so intricate that one might feel better about wearing them, if one could first get hold of some Egyptian who could dischiper the ancient printed codes to ascertain whether they are perfectly nice in their meaning. Indeed, some of them are quite shocking affairs. One can't imagine one's mother going about in one of those "Egyptian taking a bath" frocks, even though they are printed in perfectly respectable old lady colors

As for the bearded men in loin-cloth done on orange backgrounds—what young debby would wear one of them?

Of course there are many good looking young Egyptians with features of Rudolph Valentino and with sleek black hair, etc., but usually they are doing the Chicago with hands and feet at funny angles.

Materials for 1923

Materials have not changed much from those of last season except in the fact that they are usually designed. Roschanara crepe in dark shades with border designs in Paisley colorings, crepe de chenes with small outlined Egyptian figures in black, brown or green, tie-dyed silks in onion and brown tones, bandana prints and India cloth prints are shown inthe various booths.

Among the nevelty materials are printed angora crepes which are heavier than the average silk crepes and have a satin surface. In their darker tones they remind one of old tapisteries.

A remarkable material used for evening capes and for summer parasols is called "sevilla." It has a canton crepe foundation that is batiked in tie-dye effect and on top of this are rows of batiked floss or fringe, shading into all the colors of the rainbow. It is the most marvelous material imaginable and can be purchased in several of the larger stores.

The thinnest stockings in the world were displayed at one of the booths and are made to sell at $125.00 a pair. It is said that while they were being made, it was necessary to keep paper over them to keep the breeze from blowing them off the machine.

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Hardware Dealers To Request New Building For A. and M. College

COLLEGE STATION, Texas, March 3.—The Texas Hardware and Implement Association will send a committee before the appropriations committee of the senate and house when the general appropriations bill comes up and ask that $150,000 be made available in September, 1923 for biulding at the A. & M. College of Texas an agricultural engineering laboratory which will properly house and protect the farm machinery and tractors which have been loaned to the College by the Implement dealers for use in class demonstration work and which represent a liability to the College of $60,000.00, and which will also furnish sanitary conditions of study and other conveniences necessary for effective instruction.

This is the decision expressed in the report of the special investigating committee of the association which was appointed at the Dallas meeting early in the spring and which made its investigation at the College last week. The report has just been received by D. Scoates, professor of Agricultural Engineering.

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FARMERS HAVE MORE ....SUN

CHICAGO, March 3.—Bibles have a larger distribution among farmers and the people of towns and villages in the United States and Canada than among the city dwellers.

This was the statement here of John A. Hertel of Chicago. Hertel whose firm is a large publisher of Bibles presented the following facts about the Scriptures:

More than 660,000,000 Bibles have been printed in all languages since the invention of printing.

Figuring the population of the world at 1,500,000,000 and the number of families at 300,000,000, all the Bibles ever printed would give each family more than two copies.

Eight million Bibles are printed in the United States annually, and 35,000,000 throughout the world.

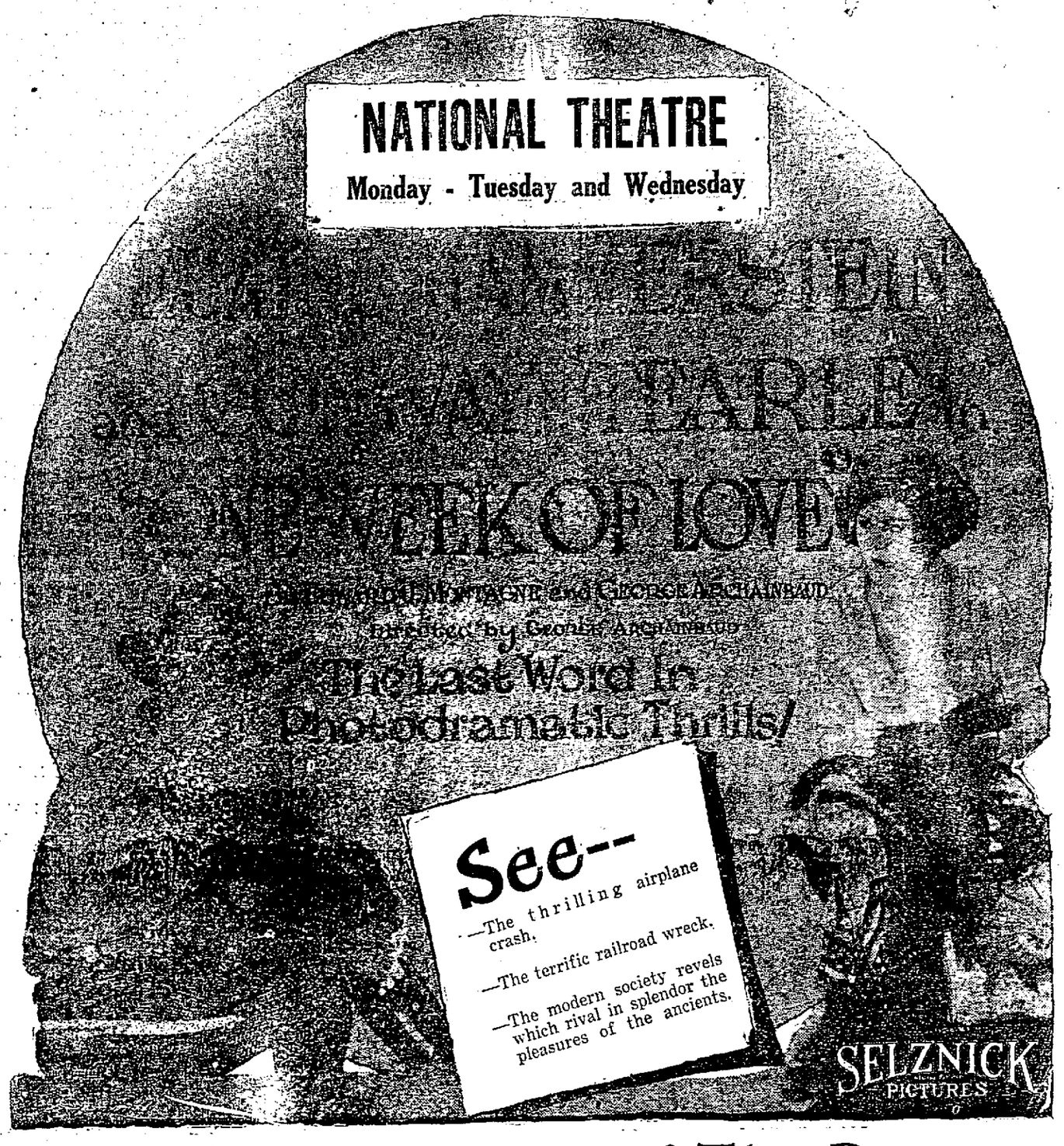
The American Bible Society distributes 5,000,000 Bibles every year.

The British and Foreign Bible Society of England distributes 10,000,000 annually.

Eighty million people in the United States in an estimated population of 110,000,000 own Bibles.

Of the 23,000,000 families in the United States, 15,800,000 families own Bibles and 7,200,000 families are without Bibles.

Martin Allday spent several days the past week in Wichita Falls and other points in Texas on business. He returned in time for the banquet of Texas Exes Friday night.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